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LINDA LONGENECKER
EDITOR

FOREWORD

After many weeks of discussion and debate the LAUREL staff of 1958-59 selected FOOTSTEPS TO FORTUNE as the theme of our yearbook. We have tried to depict in pictures as well as editorials the footsteps of our past that will play an important part in our road to fortune. This is our story of an eventful year at Laurel Valley portrayed in a living age of youth displaying unlimited energy, individual talents, and participation in the quest for knowledge.

Even after darkness the footsteps re-echo within the halls of Laurel Valley. Memories of the opening notes of the annual spring band concert, the first speech of the spring play, the melody of the opening tune at the junior-senior prom are important parts of the pattern of the student's life.

Our staff hopes that you will have much enjoyment in retracing the steps you took in the past. In the future may all your footsteps lead to fortune.

EDITORS

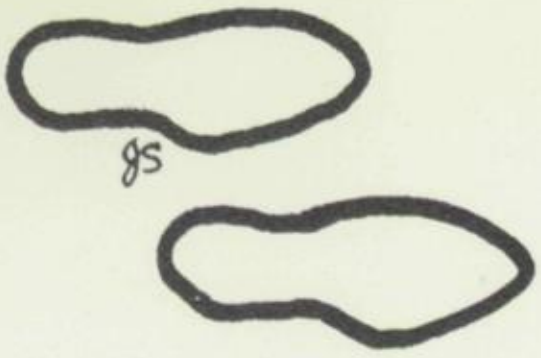
EDITOR - LINDA LONGENECKER

LEFT TO RIGHT: BONNIE SPORY, Feature Editor: LAURA BURKETT, Layout Editor; MARYANN WAGNER, Business Manager.

DEDICATION

We, the Seniors of 1959, dedicate this seventh volume of the LAUREL to Mrs. Mildred L. Mabon for her patience and reliability as a teacher and a senior advisor. During her years of teaching at Laurel Valley, she has sought to make her students better secretaries and stenographers by understanding their needs and developing their talents. The knowledge and skills required for careers in the business world are thoroughly explained. She has displayed untiring efforts in the typing of tests for the faculty and also in the publication of this annual.

MRS. MILDRED L. MABON



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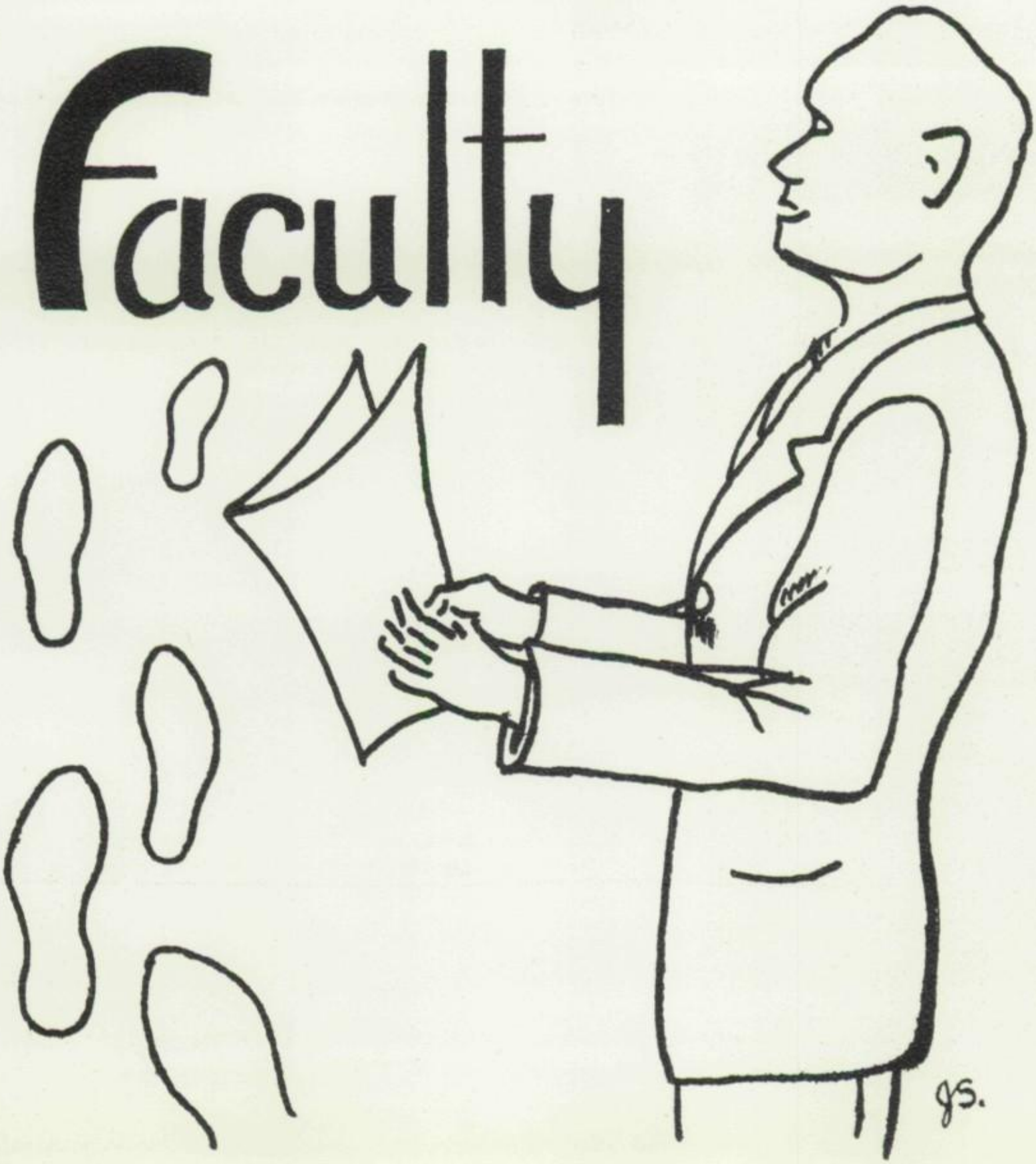

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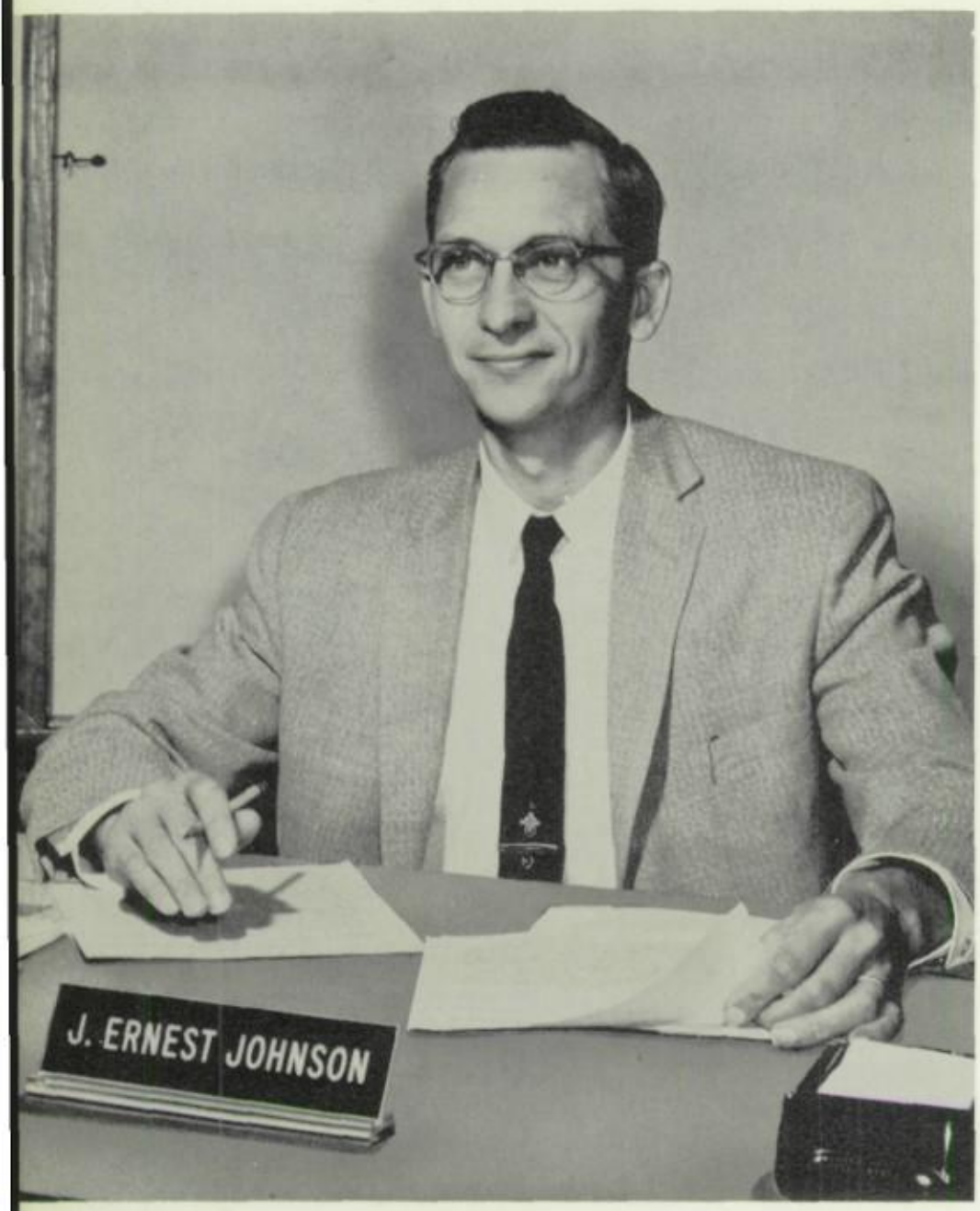

J. ERNEST JOHNSON
Supervising Principal

To the graduates of Laurel Valley High School, Class of 1959:

May I take this opportunity to congratulate the students of the class of '59 upon your graduation from Laurel Valley High School. You may be tired of hearing about the great challenges that lie before you; the wide, wide world you are about to face; challenges that exist in the field of science; and the many complexities of life that you will encounter in the future.

All these things are true. But have no fear, instead of being obstacles that seem much too great to overcome, they should arouse in you a friendly spirit of competition for your place in life. I believe it is important that young people realize the challenges that face the graduates today are no greater than the challenges that were faced in previous generations. Competition in life is keen but this has always been so. The ambitious young people of today will be the leaders of tomorrow. Are you a leader? You can be if that is your desire. It is your responsibility to mold your own life. Your teachers in public school have done their part for the past twelve years to guide you in the use of your interests and abilities to their best advantage.

I sincerely believe the education you have received in Laurel Valley is a solid foundation for your future life in the world. It is, however, just a beginning; you are now on your own. Good luck and Godspeed.

J. Ernest Johnson
Supervising Principal

MISS MARGARET BOYLE - Secretary to Mr. Johnson

MISS WANDA LEAR - Clerk in the office of Supervising Principal

guided our footsteps with capable leadership

To the graduates--1959:

Your stay in school has been very brief in terms of hours and months. What you learned here can never be measured exactly, but a frank soul-search will give you an individual answer. The answer to what you got will surely lie closest to what you gave--to your parents, your teachers, your studies, your classmates, and underclassmen. In other words, did you give yourself a high school education or did you entertain the fallacy that education is given? Only the opportunity to learn is given. Mere exposure is not enough. What you did with these precious gifts was largely your own doing or undoing. And ironically, what you did with your school years is a pretty good sample of what you will do with future opportunities--and they are all'round you.

It is my pleasure and privilege to congratulate each of you as you reach this milestone in your lives. May your future be blessed with good deeds through sound choosing in this land of opportunity unlimited.

George L. Spinelli
Principal

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Principal

MISS KATHERINE BONAVERO--secretary to Mr. Spinelli

Miss Bonavero was secretary to Mr. Spinelli until January, 1959, when she resigned to accept a position in private industry. Mrs. Jo-Ann Riddell, our new secretary, is known for her cheery smile and her willingness to give a helping hand to all.

Board Of Education works for school improvements

SITTING: (Left to Right) Florence Kerr, John Donahue, William Burkett, Anthony Catanese, Anthony Carosella, Lynn Graham, Patsy Corvi, Ernest Ziegler, Lloyd Boring, Jesse Fritz, Jack Treasure, Paul Roby, Dennis West, Blair Henderson. STANDING: George Spinelli (High School Principal), Clifford Trexler (President of Board), J. Ernest Johnson (Supervising Principal), John Conrad, Margaret Boyle (Secretary-non-member), Robert Igo, Edwin Shomo, Harry Mears, Neil Galbraith, Richard Wagner, Ralph Spory. ABSENT: Russell Fulcomer, Robert Brown.

The Board of Education is composed of twenty-five members from the five districts of Bolivar Borough Fairfield Township, New Florence Borough, Seward Independent, and St. Clair Township. This organization meets the third Tuesday of each month for a regular meeting. Special meetings are also held to discuss any particular problem which may arise. The members are elected for a period of six years.

The president of the Board of Education is Mr. Clifford C. Trexler of New Florence. Mr. John Conrad of St. Clair Township holds the office of vice-president. The secretary is Miss Margaret Boyle of New Florence and the treasurer is Miss Mary E. Horrell of the New Florence National Bank; both the secretary and treasurer are non-members.

Our school board is responsible for many matters that the students of Laurel Valley take for granted. They have the tasks of hiring personnel, supplying the transportation for students, supervising the maintenance of buildings, keeping us equipped with needed supplies, approving school budgeting, and performing many other necessary tasks. New school buildings are a major concern just now. The joint junior-senior high school and the Fairfield Township elementary projects are both moving from planning stage to reality. We know that these new facilities will soon be ready to serve our community.

The Class of 1959 thanks the Board of Education for the large part they have played in our receiving an excellent education at Laurel Valley. We will always prosper from it. We know this energetic organization will continue to provide the best educational facilities that they can.

FACULTY

IRENE L. BEARD...geography, history, and science...studied at Indiana State Teachers College and University of Pittsburgh...received B. S. and M. Education degrees...likes good workers ...travels include United States, Mexico, Canada, and Cuba.

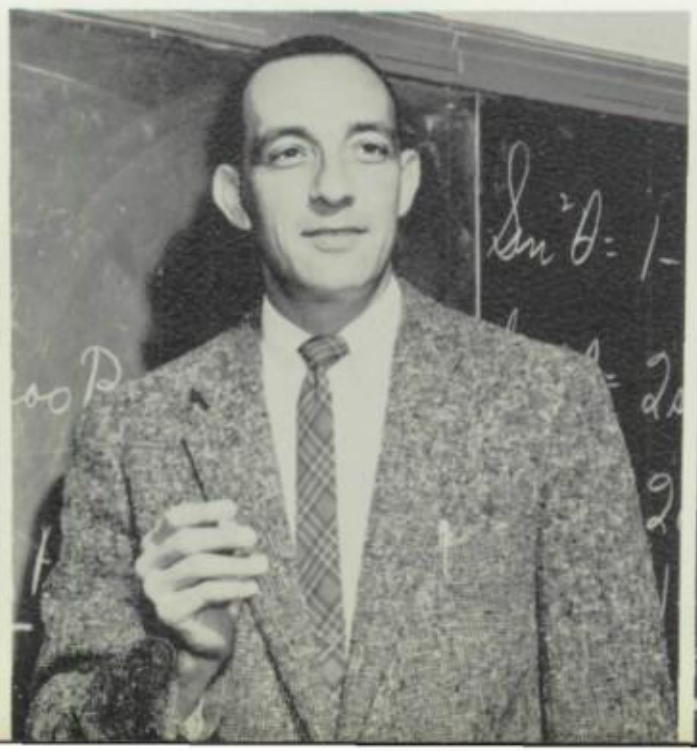
ELNORA J. CHISNELL...English...studied at Indiana State Teachers College, University of Pittsburgh, and University of Colorado...received a B. S. degree ...enjoys reading creative themes... LAUREL Advisor...travels include Nova Scotia to British Columbia and parts of United States.

ALICE RUTH CUNNINGHAM...English ...Attendance Director...graduated from Indiana State Teachers College where she received a B. S. in Education...enjoys reading...travels include parts of the United States.

STANLEY E. DOHODA...Health and Physical education...graduated from Mississippi State College...received a B. S. in Education ...enjoys sports...travels include Southeastern parts of the United States

JOHN FISHER...mathematics...studied at Slippery Rock State Teachers College, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, University of Pittsburgh, and Clarkson Memorial College of Technology... received B. S. and M. Education degrees ...senior sponsor...enjoys golfing... travels include France, Belgium, Holland, Germany and the United States.

WILLIAM GRAY GALBREATH...science and mathematics...graduated from Penn State ...holds a B. S. degree...enjoys reading ...travels include Central and Eastern United States.



encourage learning to aid students in chosen careers

DOROTHY DICK GAMBLE...home economics ...a newcomer to our faculty...graduated from Indiana State Teachers College... holds a B. S. degree...enjoys dancing ...travels include Eastern United States.

EUGENE GORIROSSI...instrumental music instructor...studied at St. Vincent College and Duquesne University...received B. S. degree...enjoys food...travels include Southeastern United States.

ANNA LYNN HAIRE...mathematics and librarian...studied at Indiana State Teachers College and New York University ...enjoys reading...travels include all of the United States and Canada

ROBERT DUANE HALL...vocal music instructor...proud alumnus of Indiana State Teachers College...received a B. S. degree...enjoys photography...travels include Eastern United States.

MARY GRACE HARRIS...home economics ...graduated from Penn State University ...received B. S. degree...enjoys preparing unusual foods...a friend to all ...has traveled from Maine to Texas.

WAYNE HOWARD...physical education and health...graduated from Slippery Rock State Teachers College...received B. S. degree...his boys are his pet joy ...travels extend south to Florida and west to Oklahoma and Texas.

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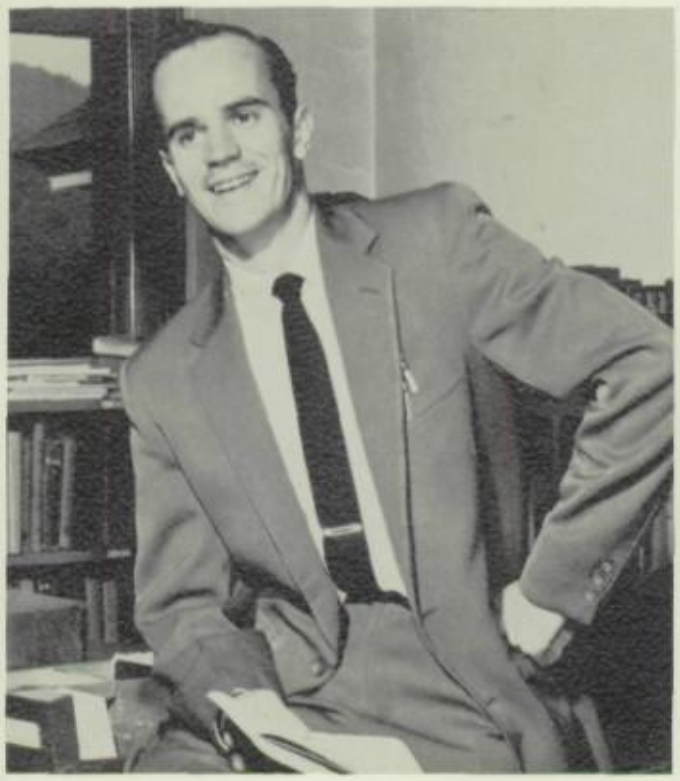
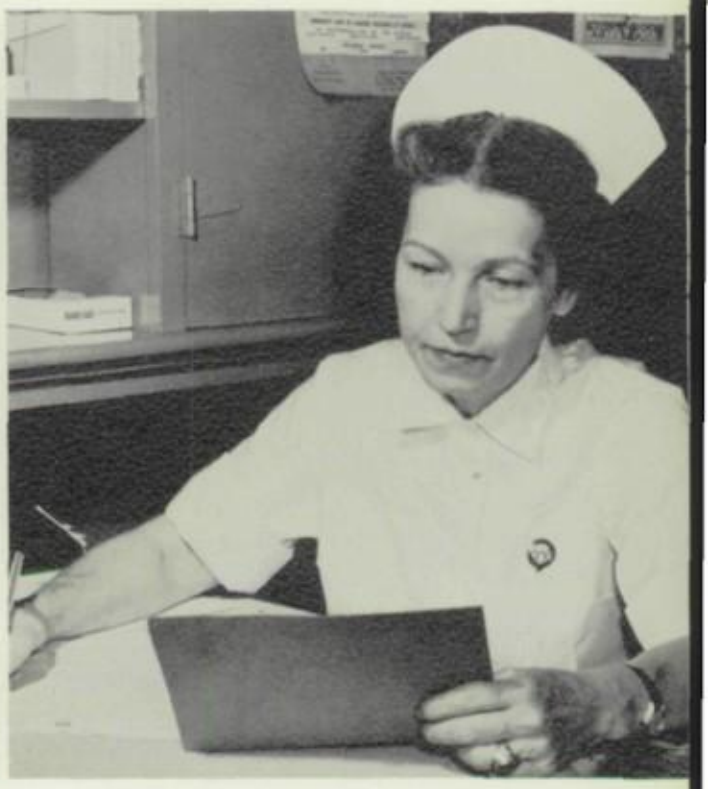


GERALD KLAUM...social studies... graduated from Indiana State Teachers College...received B. S. degree...enjoys good T. V. Programs...appreciated by his many students...travels include Ohio, Kentucky, and New Jersey.

MILDRED L. MABON...commercial... studied at Indiana State Teachers College and University of Pittsburgh...received B. S. degree...likes work well done... travels include New York, Florida, and Cuba.



REBECCA McKINNEY...school nurse... studied at Westmoreland Hospital School of Nursing where she received an R. N. ...graduated from University of Pittsburgh ...received a B. S. degree...favorite food is steak...travels include Eastern, Western and Southern United States.

MARIE NICHOLS...Spanish, English, and Reading...studied at Indiana State Teachers College, Cornell University, and University of Colorado...holds a B. S. degree...HI-LITE sponsor...enjoys listening to good music...travels include Canada, New York, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, and Colorado.

ANDREW PAHACH...industrial arts... studied at California State Teachers College, University of Pittsburgh, and Indiana State Teachers College...received a B. S. in education...enjoys winning basketball games...travels include most of the United States.

EVERETT I. PESCI...P. O. D. and Driver Education ..studied at Indiana State Teacners College and Tulane...holds a B. S. in education...enjoys football and hunting...travels include United States and Canada.

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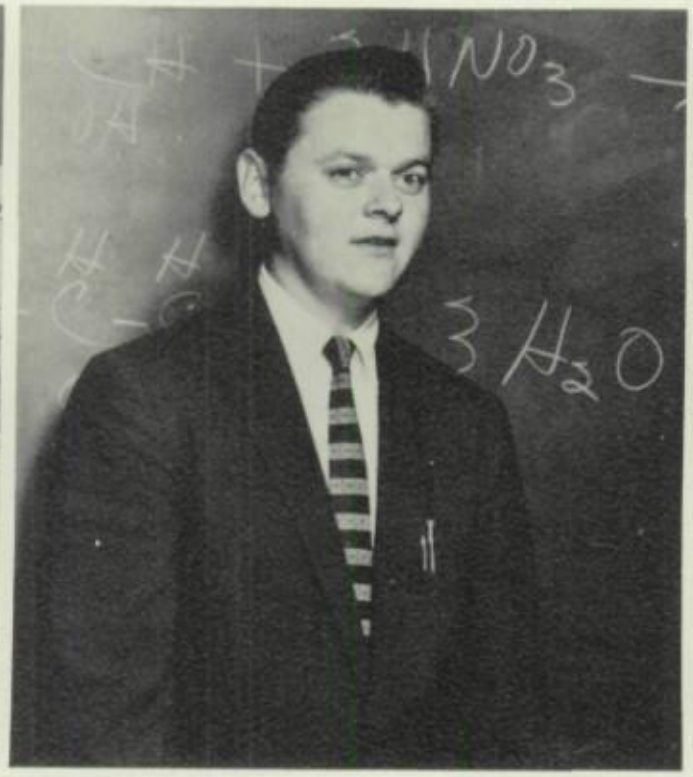
ERNEST PUDLINER...seventh grade history and science, world history, and United States history...graduated from Waynesburg College...holds a B. S. in education... enjoys driving his Ford...travels include Japan, Virginia, California, Washington, and Washington, D. C.

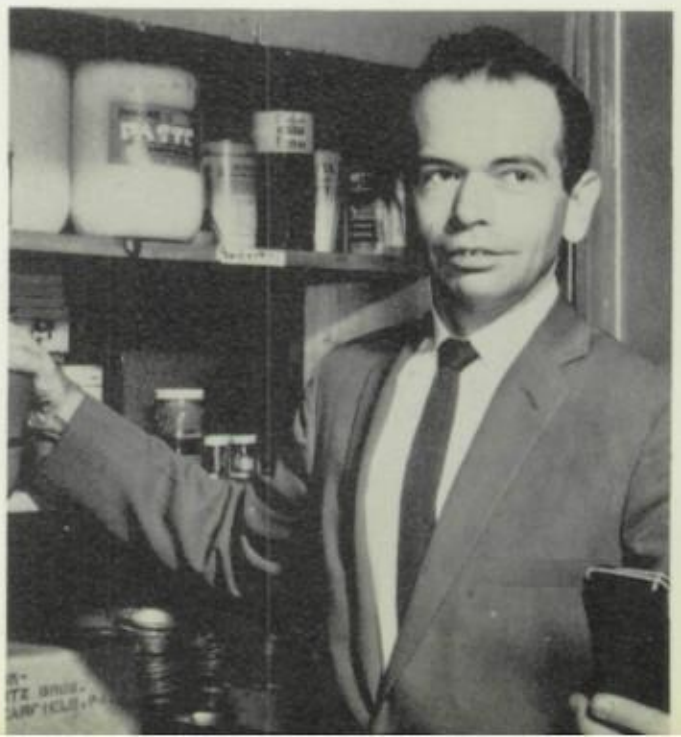


ROBERT J. RILEY...chemistry, biology, and general science...graduated from Slippery Rock State Teachers College... received a B. S. degree...enjoys living ...travels extend to different parts of United States.

BUELAH SHANNON ROSEN...guidance counselor...known to many students seeking advice...studied at University of Pittsburgh and Columbia University ...received A. B., B. S., and M. A. degrees...enjoys traveling...travels include South America, South Seas, Alaska, and parts of Europe.

MARY T. SALERNO...physics, biology, and senior science...studied at University of Pittsburgh, Cornell University, and University of Colorado...received B. S. degree...enjoys driving...travels include Canada, New York, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, and Colorado.

JOHN FLOYD STEWART...art...graduated from Indiana State Teachers College... received B. S. degree...enjoys oil painting, hiking, and farming...came to Laurel Valley in September...travels include Canada and Eastern United States.



gave wise guidance in various fields and activities

Miss Cunningham, Mr. Galbreath, Mrs. Chisnell, and Miss Nichols are relating their summer experiences to Miss McKinney, the School nurse.

Mr. Riley, Mr. Howard, and Mr. Gorirossi return from a hearty lunch.

Mrs. Haire, Mrs. Beard, and Miss Salerno greet our new home economics teacher, Mrs. Gamble.

SENIORS snapped in relaxed moments.

Handsome, fun-loving seniors chat on the steps.

Seniors gather to discuss business math.

Jim tells another of his wild tales.

Bennie twirls the hula-hoop for the girls.

This proves that life has a serious moment.

Seniors

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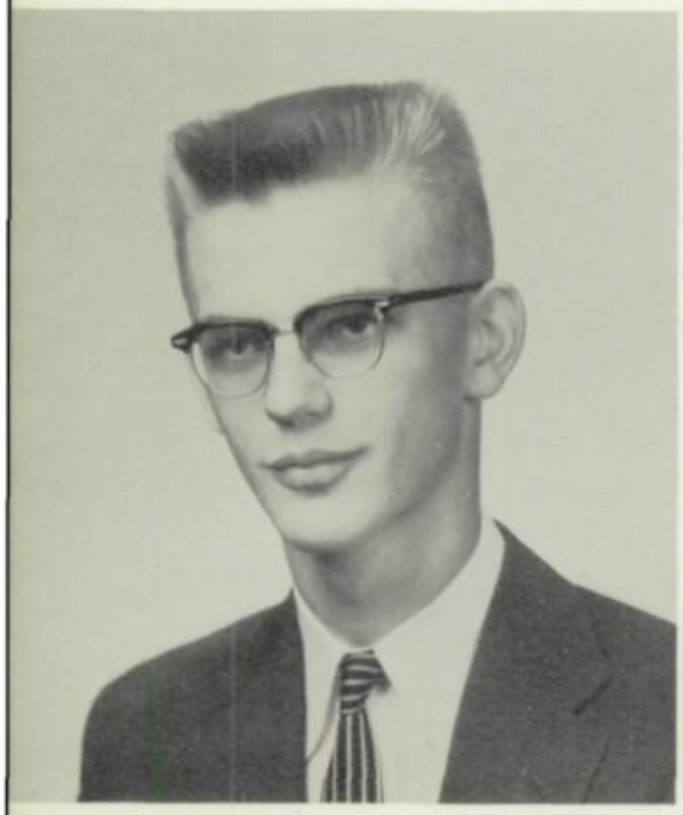


BENJAMIN DORNEY ALTEMUS, JR.

Shades - Academic - resides in New Florence - pet joy is dancing - pet peeve is low grades - ambition is to graduate from Muhlenburg College. Activities: Dancing Club 3; Typing Club 1; Varsity Club 2; Art Club 4; Dancing Club President 3; Home Room President 1; Home Room Vice President 2; Football Team 1; Basketball Manager 1-2; May Day Escort 2;LAUREL Staff 4; Intramurals 1; Senior Chorus 4.

BONNIE ELAINE AUSTIN

Redhead - General - hails from Bolivar - pet joy is bowling - pet peeve is getting up in the morning - ambition is to be a telephone operator. Activities: Drama Club 1; Volleyball Club 2; Golf Club 3; Photography Club 4; Band President 4; Photography Club President 4; Senior Chorus 1-2; Band 1-2-3-4; Junior Play 3; HI-LITE Staff 2-3; Prom Committee 3; LAUREL Staff 4; Intramurals 2-4.

CARL E. BAIRD

Bessie - General - lives in Bolivar - pet joy is working on cars - pet peeve is school and its consequences - ambition is to be a mechanic. Activities: Travel Club 1-2; Dancing Club 3; Photography Club 4; Football Manager 2; Student Council 3.

RONALD BAIRD

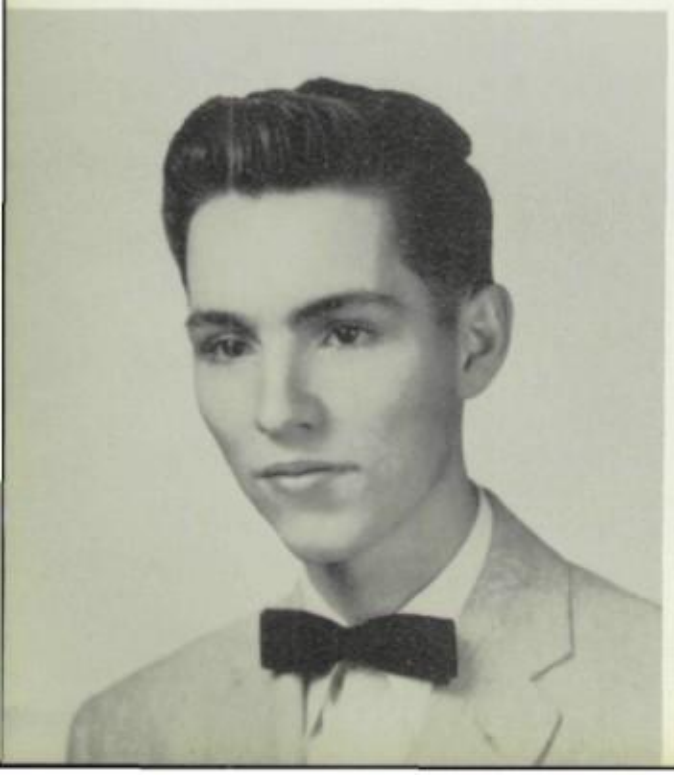
Ron - General - comes from West Bolivar - pet joy is making a wreck out of his car - pet peeve is chemistry class - ambition is to be a mechanic. Activities: Travel Club 1-2; Dancing Club 3; Photography Club 4.

SALLY ANN BEAL

Sal - General - lives in St. Clair Twp. - pet joy is swimming - pet peeve is people with a bad sense of humor - ambition is to enter nurses' training. Activities; Dramatics Club 1; Typing Club 2; Pep Club 3; Art Club 4; Junior Chorus 1; Senior Chorus 2-4; Magazine Campaign 1-2; HI-LITE Reporter 1-2-3; Prom Committee 3; 3; Intramurals 1; Ticket Puncher 4.

BONITA LOUISE BENITO

Bonnie B. - Commercial - resides in Seward - pet joy is week ends - pet peeve is friendly enemies - ambition is to attend Cambria Rowe Business College. Activities: Dancing Club 1; Baseball Club 2; Pep Club 3; Photography Club 4; Senior Chorus 2-3-4; Intramurals 1-2-3-4; Assistant Business Manager of HI-LITE 3; Prom Committee 3.



will seek fortune in various careers

CAROL RUTH BENNETT

Gabby - Vocational - lives in Fairfield Twp. - pet joy is watching Bennie Altemus dance - pet peeve is noisey people - ambition is to be a beautician. Activities: Special Chorus 2; Handicraft Club 1; Pep Club 3; Photography Club 4; Junior Chorus 1; Senior Chorus 2-4; Student Council 2; Junior Play 3; Prom Committee 3.

KAROL BOBKO

Karol - Vocational - comes from Seward - pet joy is a "55" white Chevie - pet peeve is nosey people - ambition is to get Married. Activities: Dancing Club 2; F. H. A. Club 1-3; Art Club 4; Senior Chorus 2-4; Prom Committee 3.

LAURA IRENE BURKETT

Laura - Commercial - lives in Seward - pet joys are dancing and week ends - pet peeve is people who don't smile - ambition is to work for Penelec. Activities: Spelling Club 1; Tri-Hi-Y 2-3; Dancing Club 4; Class Secretary 1-2-3; Tri-Hi-Y Treasurer 2; Senior Chorus 2; Majorette 2-3-4; HI-LITE Typist 3-4; HI-LITE Reporter 1-2; Intramurals 1-2-3-4; Prom Committee 3; Bulletin Worker 4; Layout Editor of LAUREL 4; LAUREL Typist 4; Magazine Campaign 4; Assistant Commercial Editor of HI-LITE 3.

SARAH MARIE CABLE

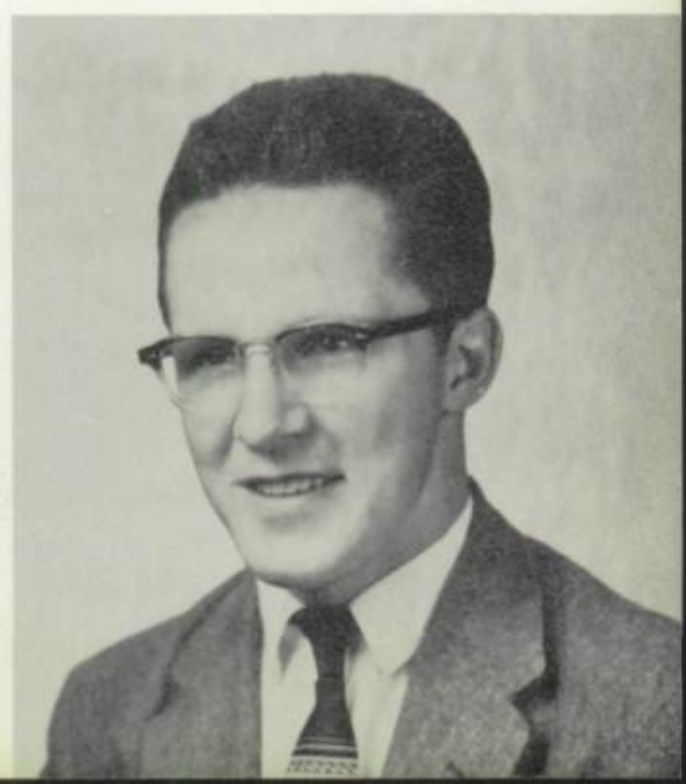
Sprock - Vocational - dwells in St. Clair Twp. - pet joys are dancing and hiking - pet peeve is people who think they're better than others - ambition is to help others. Activities: Art Club 1; Special Chorus 2-4; Senior Chorus 2-4; Prom Committee 3.

MILDRED LOUISE CLARK

Left school before graduation.

SAMUEL WILLIAM CLARK

Puddin - Academic - lives in West Bolivar - pet joy is going to church - pet peeve is giggling girls - ambition is to be a friend to everyone. Activities: Travel Club 1; Varsity Club 2-3-4; Football Team 1-2-3-4; Junior Play 3; Christmas Play 2; Senior Chorus 2-3-4; Intramurals 1-2-4.



searching for knowledge leads to fortune

MARJORIE GALE COLLINS

Margie - Vocational - comes from Seward - pet joy is week ends - pet peeves are homework and tests - ambition is to be a beautician. Activities: Photography Club 4; Dancing Club 3; Tri-Hi-Y Club 2; Home Room President 4; Prom Committee 3.

JoANN CLAIRE COLSON

Sis - Vocational - resides in Seward - pet joys are singing and talking - pet peeve is boys who mistreat animals - ambition is to work hard, to be happy, and to make her parents proud of her. Activities: Drama Club 1-4; Home Nursing Club 2; Pep Club 3; Junior Chorus 1; Senior Chorus 2-3-4; Junior Play 3; Prom Committee 3; Intramurals 1.

ROSE ELLEN CRUSAN

Rosie - Vocational - lives in West Bolivar - pet joy is statues - pet peeve is tests - ambition is to be a little richer than poor people. Activities: Home Nursing Club 1; Crocheting Club 2; F. H. A. Club 3-4; F. H. A. Club President 4; Lunch Ticket Salesman 4; Cafeteria Helper 3-4; Prom Committee 3.

PAUL HARRISON DeWITT

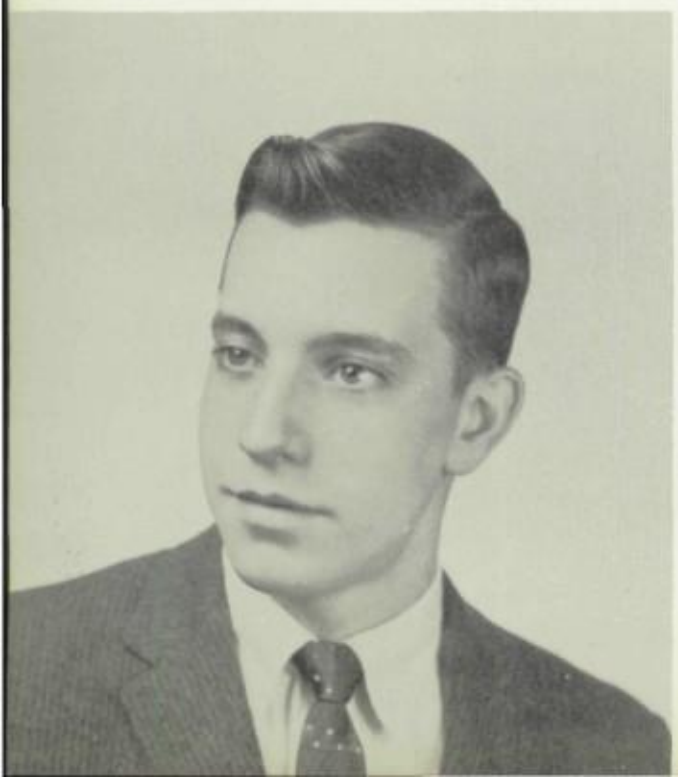
Ding Dong - General - hails from New Florence - pet joy is girls - pet peeve is too much homework - ambition is to play professional baseball. Activities: Varsity Club 1-2-3-4; Football Team 1-2-3-4; Baseball Team 1-2-3-4.

MARY CAROL GALBRAITH

Toots - General - lives in New Florence - pet joy is a certain sailor - ambition is to attend airline school. Activities: Drama Club 1; Typing Club 2; Pep Club 3; Photography Club 4; Student Council Secretary 3; Student Council Vice-President 4; HI-LITE Staff 1-2-3; Prom Committee 3; Magazine Campaign 3-4; LAUREL Representative 3-4.

GEORGE WILLIAM GARLAND

George - comes from Bolivar - pet joys are sports, cars, and girls - pet peeve is blue slips - ambition is to find a job or join the Army. Activities: All Sports Club 1; Dancing Club 2; Varsity Club 3-4; Basketball Team 1-2; Baseball Team 1-2-3-4; Student Council 1; Football Manager 1-2; Prom Committee 3.



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CHARLES GIBSON

Tucker - General - lives in Bolivar - pet joy is sports - pet peeve is blue slips - ambition is to secure a gainful occupation. Activities: Swimming Club 1; Varsity Club 2-3-4; Basketball 1-2-3-4; Baseball 1-4.

ROSCOE GLACKEN

Roscoe - General - dwells in Seward - pet joy is girls - pet peeve is going to school - ambition is to become an expert radio and TV technician. Activities: Dancing Club 1-2-3; Photography Club 4: Band 1; Prom Committee 3.

CARMEN JOHN GUAETTA

Carm - General - lives in Seward - pet joy is teasing - pet peeve is those who don't like to be teased - ambition is to attend a trade school. Activities: Dancing Club 1; Varsity Club 2-3-4; Football 1-2-3; Intramurals 2; Prom Committee 3; Football Manager 4; Basketball Manager 3-4; Baseball 1-2.

KATHLEEN ELAINE HARFORD

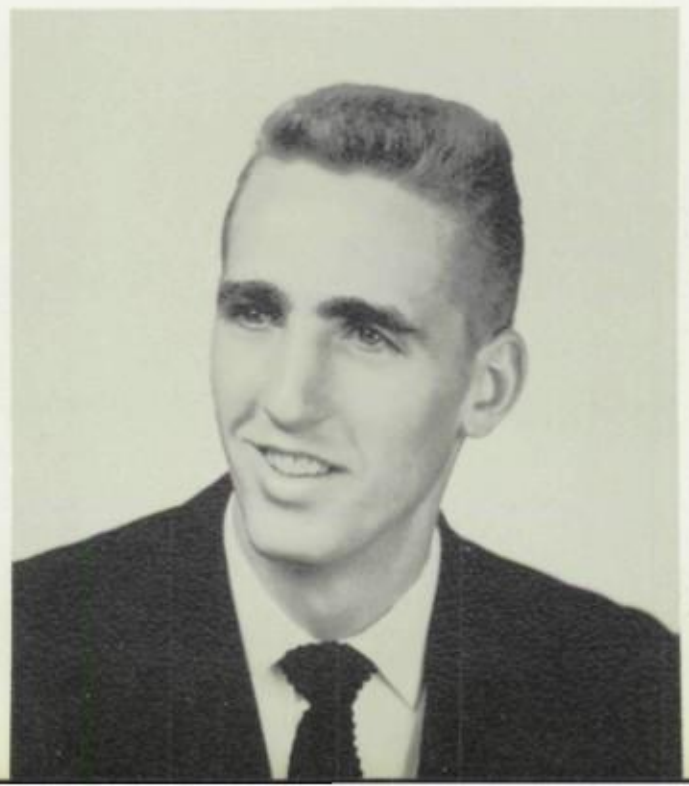
Kathy - General - resides in Seward - pet joy is dancing - pet peeve is unfriendly people - ambition is to be a telephone operator. Activities: Dancing Club 1; Baseball Club 2; Pep Club 3; Photography Club 4; Home Room President 1; Home Room Secretary 2; Home Room Vice-President 3; Photography Club Treasurer 4; Junior Play 3; Prom Committee 3; Student Council 1; Intramurals 1-2-3-4; HI-LITE Staff 3; Senior Chorus 4; LAUREI Staff 4.

RALPH HEDGES

Ralph - General - comes from Seward - pet joys are hunting and fishing - pet peeve is homework - ambition is to attend trade school. Activities: Varsity Club 1-2-3-4; Class President 2-3; Student Council President 4; Varsity Club Secretary 2-3; Varsity Club Sergeant-at-Arms 4; Senior Chorus 2-3; Football 1-2-3; Baseball 1-2-3; Prom Committee 3; Intramurals 4; Football Manager 4; Basketball Manager 4; Baseball Manager 4.

BONNIE JEAN HENDERSON

Left school before graduation.



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EDITH HENDERSON

Edie - Commercial - lives in West Fairfield - pet joy is dancing at the Dairy Acres - pet peeve is unfriendly and mean people - ambition is to be a secretary. Activities: Dramatics Club 1; Dancing Club 2; Pep Club 3; Photography Club 4; Senior Chorus 1; Intramurals 1-2-3-4; HI-LITE Reporter 2-3; Bulletin Worker 4; Prom Committee 3.

FRITZ HENDERSON

Fritz - General - hails from Bolivar - pet joy is basketball games - pet peeve is scoring low grades on tests - ambition is to secure a suitable position in life. Activities: Volleyball Club 1; Travel Club 2-3; Art Club 4; Varsity Club 4; Senior Chorus 1-2; Basketball Manager 3; Head Basketball Manager 4.

RALPH WILLARD HENDERSON

Henry - General - lives in Bolivar - pet joy is loafing with the boys - pet peeve is literature class - ambition is to join the Navy. Activities: Art Club 4; Travel Club 3; Swimming Club 2; Volleyball Club 1; Class Vice-President 2-4; Basketball Team 1-2; Basketball Manager 3; Intra murals 1-2-3-4; Baseball Team 1; Prom Committee 3; LAUREL Staff 4; Art Club President 4; Travel Club President 3; Volleyball Club Vice-President 1.

RAYMOND EDWARD HORVATH

Ray - General - lives in New Florence - pet joy is driving the convertible - pet peeve is history class - ambition is to be a success in the Navy. Activities: Travel Club 1; Biology Club 2; Dancing Club 3-4; Student Council 2-3-4; Junior Chorus 1; Football Team 1; Band 3; Co-Editor of HI-LITE 3; Editor of HI-LITE 4; Magazine Campaign 2-3-4; Junior Play 3; LAUREL Representative 2-3-4.

JUDY HUGHES

Big Head II - Vocational - resides in Bolivar - pet joy is always going some-where - pet peeve is staying home on weekends. Activities: Drama Club 1; Typing Club 2; Pep Club 3; Art Club 4; Junior Chorus 1; Senior Chorus 2-4; Prom Committee 3.

ROBERT EUGENE JACKSON

Stone Wall - General - lives in St. Clair Twp. - pet joy is week ends - pet peeve is homework - ambition is to become a radio repairman. Activities: Biology Club 1; Swimming Club 2; Travel Club 3; Art Club 4; Travel Club Vice-President 3; Biology Club Vice-President 1; Home Room Treasurer 3; Baseball Team 2-3-4; Football Manager 2; Intramurals 1-2-3-4; HI-LITE Staff 3; Prom Committee 3.

willingly took competitive examinations on their way to fortune

ROBERT KERR

Bob - General - hails from Bolivar - pet joy is leaving school - pet peeve is writing themes - ambition is to join the service. Activities; All Sports Club 1; Swimming Club 3; Travel Club 2; Photography Club 4; Student Council 2; Baseball Team 3.

HELEN FRANCES LaMANTIA

Helen - Vocational - dwells in Bolivar - pet joys are driving the car and eating pistachios - pet peeve is reckless driving - ambition is to get an office job. Activities: Drama Club 1-4; Tri-Hi-Y Club 2-3; Home Room Treasurer 1-2-4; Senior Chorus 4; Majorette 2-3-4; Intramurals 1-2-4; Prom Committee 3.

JOSEPH DOMINICK LaMANTIA

Joe - General - resides in Bolivar - pet joys are hunting and fishing - pet peeve is homework - ambition is to join the Air Force. Activities: Hunting and Fishing Club 1; All Sports Club 2; Golf Club 3; Photography Club 4; Home Room Vice-President 2; Intramurals 2; Prom Committee 3.

JOSEPHINE LaMANTIA

Josie - Commercial - lives in Bolivar -, pet joy is receiving letters - pet peeve is typing errors - ambition is to attend business school and later be a secretary. Activities: Drama Club 1; Special Chorus 2; Golf Club 3; Photography Club 4; Photography Club Secretary 4; Junior Play 3; Band 1-2-3-4; Senior Chorus 2-3-4; HI-LITE TYPIST 2-3-4: HI-LITE Reporter 2-3; Bulletin Worker 4; LAUREL Typist 4; Intramurals 1; Prom Committee 3; Commercial HI-LITE Editor 4.

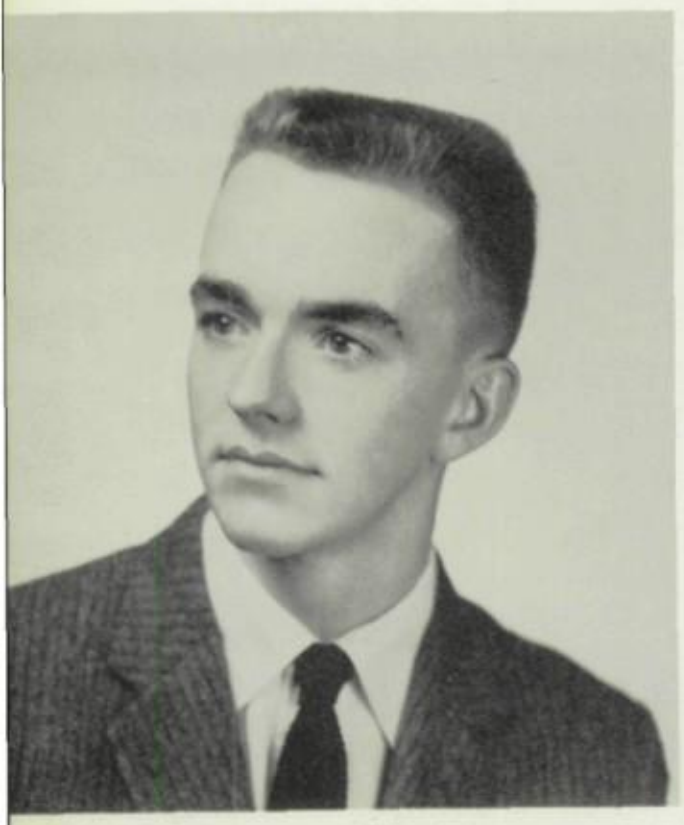
RONALD LEAR

Ron - General - comes from Bolivar - pet joy is good food - pet peeve is getting up early - ambition is to be a success. Activities: Swimming Club 1.

LINDA LEE LONGENECKER

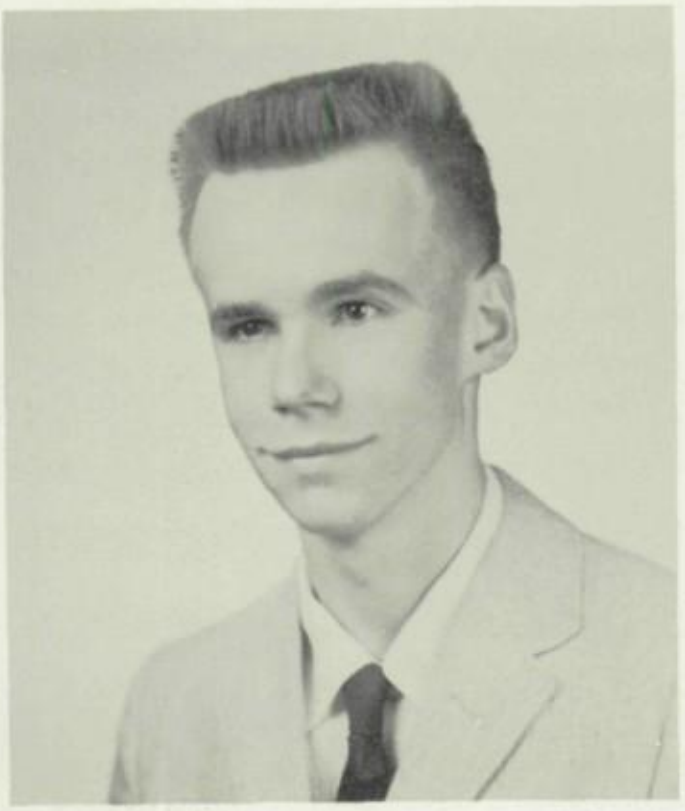
Linda - Commercial - resides in Seward - pet joy is friendly people - pet peeve is boisterous people - ambition is to be a medical secretary. Activities: Spelling Club 1; Tri-Hi-Y Club 2; All Sports Club 3; Photography Club 4; All Sports Club Secretary 3; Majorette 2-3-4; HI-LITE Typist 3-4; HI-LITE Assistant Layout Editor 3; Prom Committee 3; Bulletin Worker 4; Editor of LAUREL 4; LAUREL Typist 4; Magazine Campaign 4; Intramurals 1; Student Council 1-2-4.

performed in classrooms and extracurricular activities



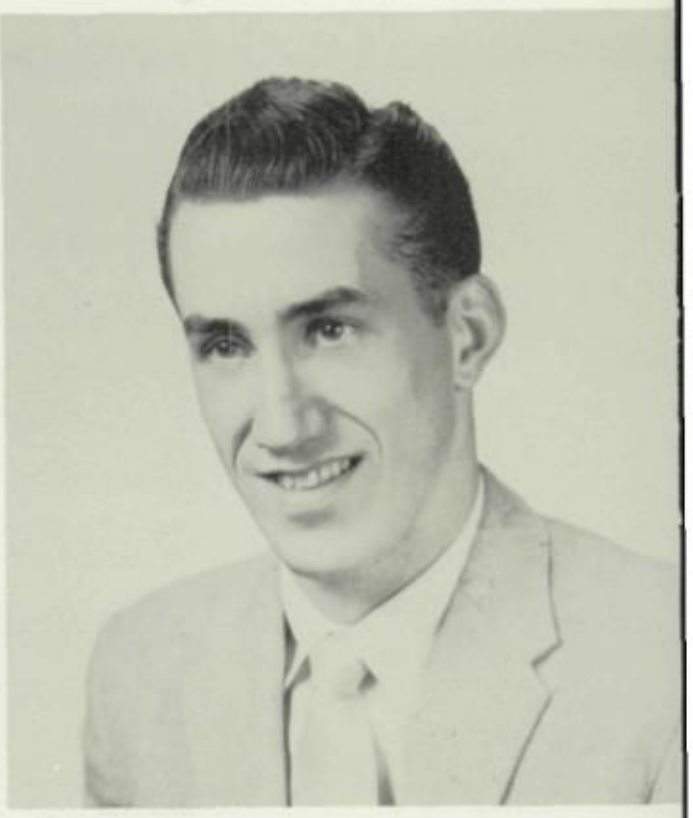
JAMES BURTON LUTHER

Luke - Academic - hails from West Fairfield - pet joy is week ends - pet peeve is conceited people - ambition is to attend I. S. T. C. Activities: Typing Club 1; Biology Club 2; Dancing Club 3; Glee Club 4; Home Room President 1; Home Room Treasurer 2; Dancing Club Secretary 3; Baseball Team 2; LAUREL Staff 4; Prom Committee 3; May Day Escort 2; Senior Chorus 4.



EDWARD MABON McCREERY

Easy Ed - lives in Fairfield Twp. - pet joy is hunting - pet peeve is going to school in hunting season - ambition is to be a telephone technician. Activities: Biology Club 1; Volleyball Club 2; Glee Club 4; Junior Play 3; Prom Committee 3.



GERALD McGARVEY

Jerry - General - comes from Seward - pet joy is hunting - pet peeve is unfriendly people - ambition is to work for a veterinarian. Activities: Dancing Club 3; First Aid 4; Hunting and Fishing 1.

INA McGRAW

Goldie - Vocational - lives in Bolivar - pet joy is driving the car - pet peeve is show offs - ambition is to secure a good job. Activities: Speech Club 1; Dancing Club 2; Band 1-2-3-4; Junior Chorus 1; Senior Chorus 4; Intramurals 1-2.

RICHARD EARL MERRITT

Rich - General - resides in New Florence - pet joy is tinkering with the car - pet peeve is history class - ambition is to make the Navy a career. Activities: Travel Club 1; Dancing Club 2-3-4; Football 1-2; Junior Play 3; Prom Committee 3.

JAMES LAWRENCE MEYER

Elmer - Academic - lives in Seward - pet joy is sports - pet peeve is homework ambition is to attend college and become a chemist or teacher. Activities: Dancing Club 1; Varsity Club 2-3-4; Class President 1-4; Varsity Club President 4; Home Room President 2-3; Football 1-2-3-4; Senior Chorus 1-2-3-4; Student Council 3; Junior Play 3; Christmas Play 2; Sports Editor of the HI-LITE 2-3-4; LAUREL Sports Editor 4; Prom Committee 3; Honor Society 1-2-3-4.

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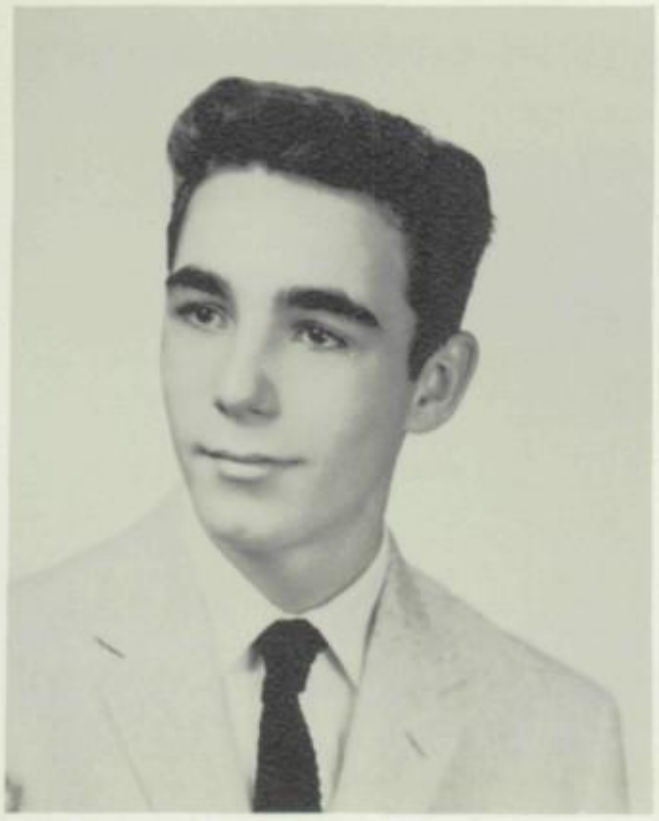

JOSEPH PHILIP MIED

Fingers - Academic - hails from Seward - pet joy is working on cars - pet peeve is hot rodders showing off - ambition is to amount to something in life. Activities: Spelling Club 1; Varsity Club 2; Biology 3; Art Club 4; Prom Committee 3.

NANCY MROCZKA

Nancy - Academic - resides in Seward - pet joy is literature class - pet peeve is nosey people - ambition is to be a nurse. Activities; Typing Club 4; F. H. A. Club 3; Baseball Club 2; Drama Club 1; F. H. A. Club President 3; May Day Attendant 1; Senior Chorus 1-4; Junior Play 3; Prom Committee 3.

JUDITH IRENE PETERS

Judy - Commercial - comes from Seward - pet joy is friendly people - pet peeve is two faced people - ambition is to be a secretary. Activities: Home Nursing Club 1-2; Pep Club 3; Photography Club 4; Junior Chorus 1; Senior Chorus 4; Intramurals 1-2-4;HI-LITE Staff 3; Junior Play 3; Prom Committee 3; Bulletin Worker 4; LAUREL Typist 4.

DOLORES RUTH REVIE

Do-Do - Vocational - dwells in West Bolivar - pet joy is sewing - pet peeve is sack dresses - ambition is to be a seamstress. Activities: Home Nursing Club 1; Crocheting Club 2; F. H. A. Club 3-4; Cafeteria Helper 3-4; Prom Committee 3.

CHARLES ROBINSON

C. J. - General - lives in Fairfield Twp. - pet joy is good food - pet peeve is literature class - ambition is to get a job. Activities: Camera Club 1; Volleyball Club 2; Dancing Club 3; Swing Band 4; Camera Club Treasurer 1; Band 1-2-3-4; Prom Committee 3.

WILLIAM WARREN ROLLING

Willie - Academic - comes from Seward - pet joy is good food - pet peeve is failing trig tests - ambition is to attend college. Activities: Spelling Club 1; Dancing Club 2; Biology Club 3; Art Club 4; Football Manager 1; Junior Play 3; Prom Committee.

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WANDA LEE SHANK

Left school before graduation.

VERLA MARY SHARP

Verla - Commercial - resides in Seward - pet joy is dancing - pet peevè is boisterous people - ambition is to attend business college and later be a secretary. Activities: Spelling Club 1; Tri-Hi-Y Club 2; All-Sports Club 3; Photography Club 4; Tri-Hi-Y Secretary 2; Junior Chorus 1; Senior Chorus 2-4; Intramurals 1-2-3-4; LAUREL Typist 4; HI-LITE Typist 3; Bulletin Worker 4; Prom Committee 3.

BONNIE SUE SPORY

Spook - Academic - lives in New Florence - pet joy is week ends - pet peeve is being teased - ambition is to attend I. S. T. C. and become a speech therapist. Activities: Special Chorus 1; Typing Club 2; Pep Club 3; Glee Club 4; Pep Club Secretary 3; Captain of Cheerleaders 4; Glee Club President 4; Home Room Treasurer 2; Cheerleader 1-2-3-4; Junior Chorus 1; Honor Society 1-2; HI-LITE Reporter 2; May Day Attendant 2; Senior Chorus 2-4; Prom Committee 3; Feature Editor of LAUREL 4; Intramurals 1-4.

GEORGE JUNIOR STIFFEY

Punk - General - hails from West Bolivar - pet joy is going to the ridge - pet peeve is smart girls - ambition is to make the Navy a career. Activities: Science Club 1-2; Library Club 4; Science Club Vice-President 2; Senior Chorus 4; Junior Chorus 2; Prom Committee 3.

SHIRLEY JEAN TANTLINGER

Tease - Vocational - lives in Fairfield Twp. - pet joy is good dates - pet peeve is farming - ambition is to see the world. Activities: Handicraft Club 1; Home Nursing Club 2; Pep Club 3; Drama Club 4; Home Room President 1; Handicraft Club President 1; Drama Club Secretary 1; Junior Chorus 1; Senior Chorus 2-4; Magazine Campaign 1-2; Junior Play 3; HI-LITE Staff 3; Prom Committee 3.

HAYES EDWARD TREASURE

Toad - Academic - dwells in West Bolivar pet joy is sports - pet peeve is big wheels - ambition is to join the Navy and later attend I. S. T. C. Activities: Volleyball Club 1; Travel Club 2; Student Council Treasurer 3; Class Treasurer 4; Volleyball Club Treasurer 1; Basketball 1-2-3-4; Baseball 4; Band 1-2; HI-LITE Reporter 2-3-4; LAUREL Staff 4; Junior Play 3; Prom Committee 3.

will enter universities, business schools

JAMES F. TRIMBLE

Spats - General - lives in New Florence - pet joys are girls and cigars - pet peeve is homework - ambition is to attend college. Activities: Varsity Club 1;Golf Club 2; Career Club 3-4; Football 1-2; Baseball 1; Intramurals 1-2-4.

JOHN PHILIP TRUSZ

J. P. - Academic - hails from Seward - pet joy is loafing with Mitch - pet peeve is skinny girls - ambition is to attend college to study law. Activities: Varsity Club 2-3-4; Typing Club 1; Class Treasurer 2; Senior Chorus 4; Football 1-2-3-4; Baseball 2-3-4; Prom Committee 3; LAUREL Staff 4; Basketball Manager 2; May Day Escort 1-2.

CLIFFORD JOHN VISALLI

Cliff - General - comes from Seward - pet joy is, eating - pet peeve is tests - ambition is to secure employment as a mechanic. Activities: All Sports Club 1; Baseball Club 2; Dancing Club 3; First Aid Club 4; Baseball Intramurals 2-4; Prom Committee 3.

MARYANN WAGNER

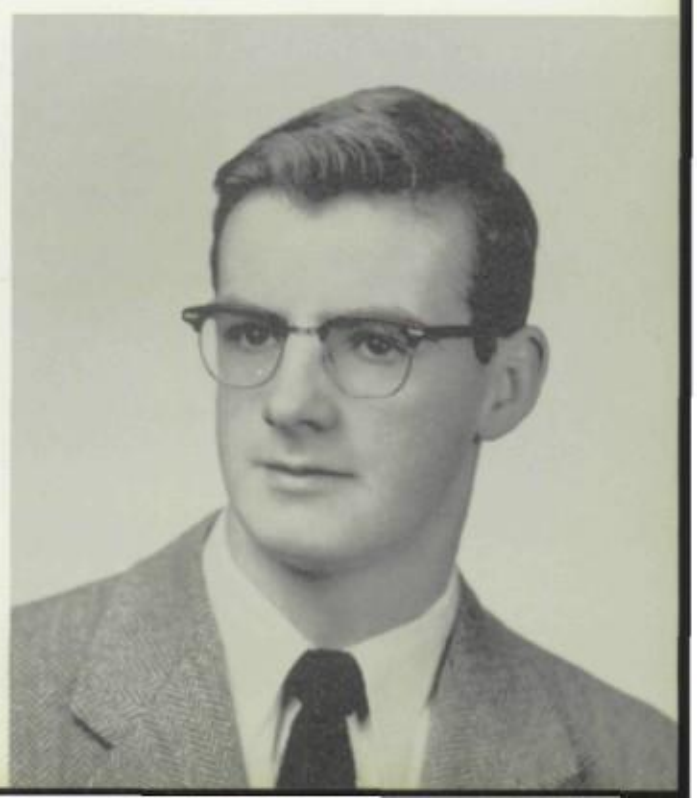
Maryann - Commercial - lives in Seward - pet joy is dancing - pet peeve is people who think the commercial course is easy - ambition is to be a commercial teacher. Activities: Spelling Club 1; Tri-Hi-Y Club 2-3; Dancing Club 4; Class Vice-President 3; Majorette 2-3-4; Senior Chorus 2; HI-LITE Reporter 1-2-3; HI-LITE Typist 2-3-4; HI-LITE Commercial Art Editor 3; Business Manager of LAUREL 4; Magazine Campaign 4; Prom Committee 3; Intramurals 1-2-3-4; Bulletin Worker 4; LAUREL Typist 4; Honor Society 1-2-4.

JOANNE LOUISE WALLACE

Jo- General - resides in New Florence - pet joy is driving the 1955 Chevie - pet peeve is her brother - ambition is to be a nurse. Activities: Home Nursing Club 2; Crocheting Club 1; F. H. A. Club 3; Typing Club 1; Junior Chorus 1; Senior Chorus 3; Prom Committee 3.

ARTHUR CLAIR WARFEL

Bucky - Academic - dwells in Bolivar - pet joy is football - pet peeve is a fractured elbow - ambition is to join the Air Force. Activities: Varsity Club 2-3-4; Science Club 1; Varsity Club Vice-President 3; Varsity Club Secretary 4; Football Team Captain 4; Football 1-2-3-4; Intramurals 1-2-3-4; Student Council 2; Prom Committee.



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JO ANN WYNN

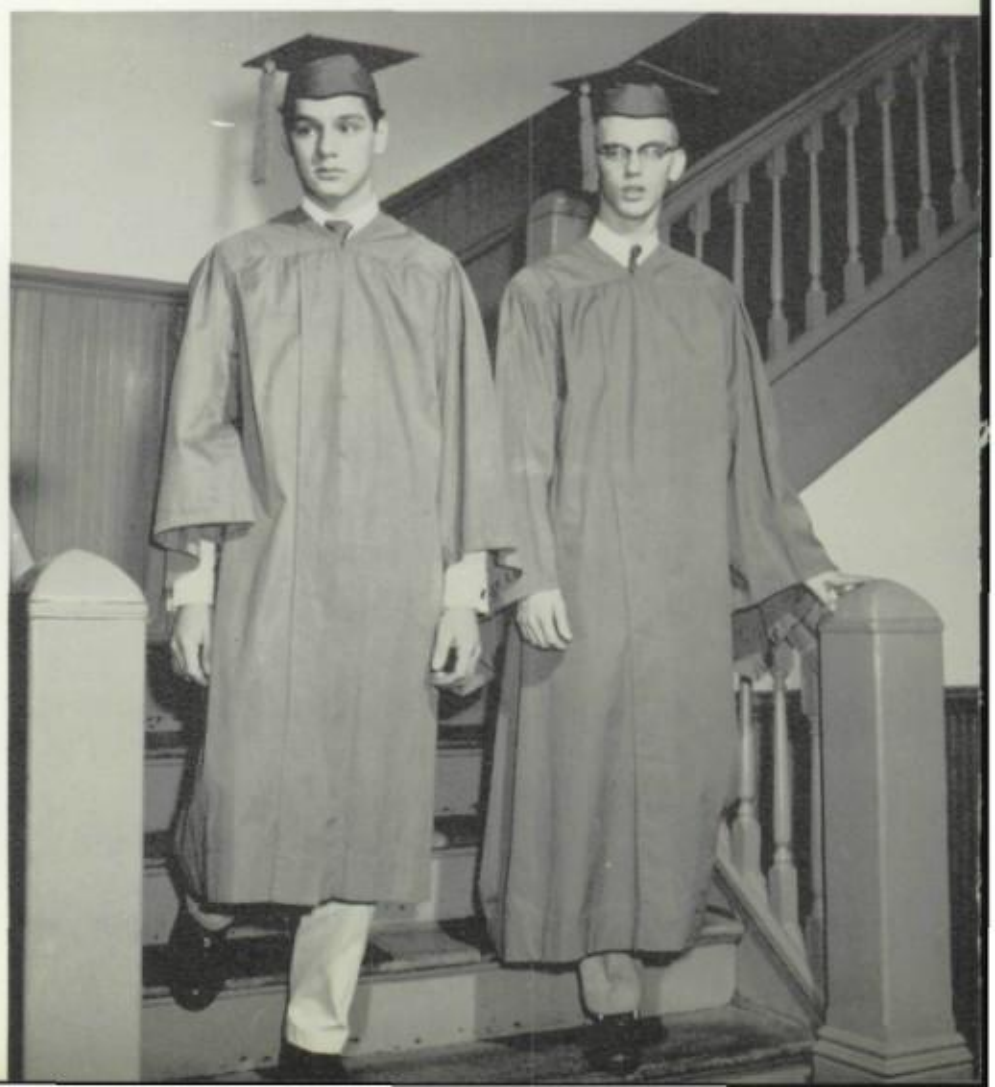
Jo - Commercial - lives in West Bolivar - pet joy is a green Chevie - pet peeve is unfriendly people - ambition is to find a secretarial job. Activities: Swimming Club 1; Baseball Club 2; Pep Club 3; Drama Club 4; Drama Club President 4; Pep Club Vice-President 3; Class Secretary 4; Captain of Cheerleaders 4; Cheerleader 1-2-3-4; Junior Chorus 1; Senior Chorus 2-4; Bulletin Worker 4; Intramurals 1-2-4; May Day Attendant 1; LAUREL Typist 4; Prom Committee 3.

JOSEPH ZARAGOZA

Joe - General - hails from Seward - pet joy is a girl - pet peeve is homework - ambition is to attend a trade school. Activities: Hunting and Fishing Club 1; Varsity Club 2-3-4; Class Treasurer 3; Football 2-3-4; Captain of Football Team 4; Intramurals 3-4.

The trail ends with Commencement, May 21, 1959

The trail was long and hard, but we finally arrived at our destination. The strains of "Pomp and Circumstance" the Laurel Valley seniors marched proudly to the stage for a command performance--to receive their diplomas. In the years to come when we look back upon this school year, it will be remembered among our most pleasant memories. We have been too long a part of this school to put it aside with cap and gown. We are proud to call Laurel Valley our Alma Mater.



Seniors From Z to A - J. ZARAGOZA; B. ALTEMUS.

Officers of the Class of 1959

LEFT TO RIGHT: Ralph Henderson, James Meyer, JoAnn Wynn, and Hayes Treasure.

President ..... James Meyer
Vice-President ..... Ralph Henderson
Secretary ..... JoAnn Wynn
Treasurer ..... Hayes Treasure

The 1959 SENIORS leave a pattern of

ROW ONE: L. Longenecker, H. LaMantia, L. Burkett, E. Henderson, L. Clark, B. Henderson, J. LaMantia, J. Peters, W. Shank, B. Benito, D. Revie. ROW TWO: J. Colson, M. Collins, C. Galbraith, B. Spory, S. Clark, W. Rolling, J. Wallace, M. Wagner, R. Kerr, I. McGraw, C. Bennett, J. Wynn, Mrs. Mabon. ROW THREE: C. Guaetta, N. Mroczka, G. Stiffey, B. Austin, J. Hughes, H. Treasure, G. Garland, S. Tantlinger, R. Merritt, K. Bobko, S. Beal. ROW FOUR: R. Baird, V. Sharp, J. Trusz, R. Henderson, J. Mied, J. Meyer, J. Trimble, K. Harford, C. Visalli, J. LaMantia, C. Baird, E. McCreery. ROW FIVE: R. Glacken, C. Gibson, J. Luther, R. Horvath, J. Zaragoza, B. Altemus, R. Hedges, G. McGarvey, R. Jackson, P. DeWitt, A. Warfel. ABSENTEES: F. Henderson, C. Robinson, R. Lear, S. Cable, R. Crusan.

Dear Diary,

Time seems to have gone so fast as I sit here and look back over the past. The memories I have of my classmates and of Laurel Valley are ones I'll treasure forever.

It seems like yesterday when we, the class of 1959, met for the first time. All we seventh grade students assembled in the auditorium to meet our new classmates from Seward, Bolivar, New Florence, and Fairfield and St. Clair Townships. Since we were a large group of 98 members, we were divided into three sections, but we remained united in spirit. Nearly every student participated in some extracurricular activity whether it was sports, the HI-LITE, or chorus. These special activities didn't affect our grades because there were quite a few seventh graders on the honor roll. Soon vacation time was here. Our first year at Laurel Valley had passed smoothly and quickly.

Eighty-six eighth graders reported the next year, and we were once more divided into three sections. We began paying class dues and our thoughts drifted ahead to our future trip to Washington, D. C. This year Laurel Valley offered a club program for the first time, and we were eager to choose the organization of our choice. Several boys were beginning to show their athletic ability. The honor roll was a pride to look at because many of our names were there.

With two years at Laurel Valley behind us, we returned as freshmen. We were still a large class with 86 students. We made our first big decision that year when we decided which course we would

footprints representing their past experiences

take. This was a big step because we were now making plans for our future careers. Algebra was a new experience, but the honor roll showed that it gave many of the students no trouble. Soon another year was nearly over, and we were looking forward to our summer vacation.

When the 82 sophomores returned, we faced new experiences. The academic group had Spanish for the first time and enjoyed confusing their classmates. The commercial students' typing was just as confusing, but both classes studied eagerly. Extracurricular activities kept many of us busy, but all were excited when they ordered their class rings. Soon another profitable year ended.

The 72 returning juniors who looked forward to an exciting year were not disappointed. Our junior play, "Swing Your Partner," was a hilarious success. Our Christmas Ball gave the students an opportunity to dress in their new Christmas outfits and dance to an orchestra. This year we were given many tests to see what our scholastic abilities were. Soon we were decorating for our Junior-Senior Prom. Our theme was "Hawaiian Holiday," and we had nearly as much fun decorating as we did attending the prom itself. Quickly this year ended. With eager anticipation we looked forward to entering Laurel Valley as seniors.

The day, September 4, 1958, that we had dreamed of for so long was here. We realized at last how close we were to college or work and began to try to raise our grades. We studied poetry and learned about the operations of our government. Chemistry baffled some, while others slaved over trig and shorthand. We seemed to be busy every minute with sports, our spring play, band, chorus, senior pictures, name cards, and the preparations for our Washington trip. These busy weeks will remain as one of our happiest memories.

As I write the final entry in my diary, I recall those last fleeting moments of that wonderful and joyous month of May. After taking our final examinations, we planned for our graduation with enthusiasm. Soon the day, May 21, was here and on that night with confused feeling we took our places on the stage. As we glanced around at our parents, teachers, and friends, we knew that those wonderful years at Laurel Valley could never be duplicated or recaptured for us. We felt tears of sorrow streaming down our faces because we were leaving a mold of life that had been familiar for so long.

As we looked around once more, our tears of sorrow turned to tears of joy for this climactic night was not the ending but the beginning of our footsteps toward true success which belongs to the individual who sets his goal high, travels always toward it, and refuses to be sidetracked.

SENIORS

Why is everybody always picking on me?

George, don't spray that water on Dolores and Wanda.

The boys work industriously to finish their projects before the end of the year.

Is Ed eavesdropping on the girls' conversation?

trod to fortune with an air of seniority

Stop! Don't run over Hayes!

Seniors, is book review day tomorrow?

Unlimited energy is exhibited by these shop students as they master the p's and q's of carpentry.

Fritz explains the graduation requirements to Carol, Ina, and Ray.

WASHINGTON TRIP
proved exciting, enjoyable, and educational

Wait! Stop the bus! We forgot Joe! Amid the fuss and confusion, thirty-five seniors eagerly boarded the Greyhound bus bound for Washington, D. C., on May 10, 1959.

At 6:30 p. m., tired and happy, we arrived at the Annapolis Hotel. After eating a delicious meal, we journeyed to the Washington National Airport where we watched many jets and super constellations arrive and depart from the massive runways. Then we drove around the Capitol and White House Buildings and admired their beauty and serenity.

Early Monday morning, a group of sleepy-eyed seniors hastened to visit the Bureau of Printing and Engraving to witness money in the making. After leaving the Congressional Office of Mr. Dent, we visited the Washington Monument, the United States Capitol, the Congressional Library, and the United States Supreme Court. In the evening we had a wonderful time by entertaining ourselves at Glen Echo Park.

After many hours of pillow fights, conversations, and frolicking, we awoke from a few hours sleep, dressed hurriedly, and ran to catch the bus to spend the morning of the third day of our trip touring the Pan American Union, the White House, the Lincoln Memorial, and the Smithsonian Institution. After a tasty lunch, we traveled to the Armed Forces Medical Museum. At the Federal Bureau of Investigation we learned many new and interesting facts about crime detection.

As all good things come to an end, so did our trip. Everyone packed his clothes and souvenirs and made ready for the journey home. From the comfortable seats of the bus, we toured the Iwo Jima Statue, Arlington Memorial Amphitheater, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the Pentagon, and Mt. Vernon. At this stage of the trip our class members had mixed feelings of sadness and happiness. We were sad to be leaving the beautiful city of Washington, but we were happy to be returning to our homes.

SPRING PLAY
initiated a program displaying school talent

This year at Laurel Valley a Spring Play was presented instead of the Senior Class Play. The entire student body was eligible to participate in the tryouts.

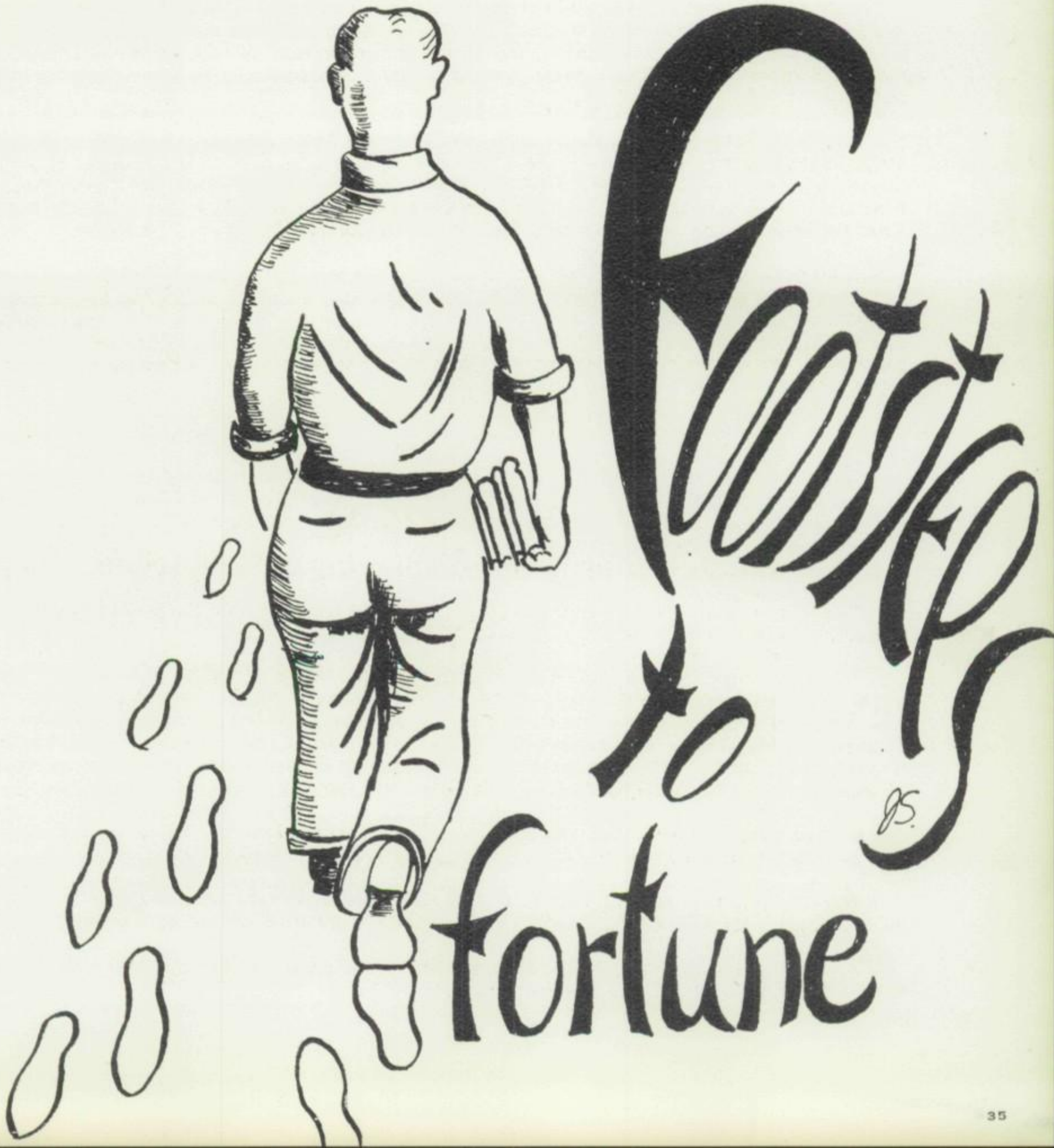
"Grandad Steps Out," a farce-comedy in three acts, was selected to be presented. James Meyer humorously portrayed Grandad. Jim's fellow thespians were JoAnn Colson who enacted the role of Mrs. Laura Morton; Kathleen Harford who played Tilly, a country maid; and Sam Clark who portrayed Jim Mahoney, a western cowboy. Other members of the cast were Carol Galbraith, Judy Hughes, Verla Sharp, Arthur Warfel, James Bennett, and James Luther. Three other members of the cast were Coradina Bucceri, Carole DeWitt, and Kerry Garland, who baffled Grandad.

The antics of an inexperienced maid, the inquisitiveness of an old lady, and the grumpiness of a sick grandfather put together a pleasing comedy with its setting in the Eickelberger home.

Working hard to learn to interpret their lines and cues, the cast still realized that without the committees, stage crew, and faculty advisors this comedy hit would not have been a success.

Mr. William Galbreath directed the play which was presented in the school auditorium on April 2 and 3 before large and appreciative audiences.

Underclassmen



CLASS OF 1960 studied dilligently, displayed

ROW ONE: (Left to Right) H. Muir, L. Henderson, D. Mack, M. Kastner, J. Neiport, D. Wagner, N. Kells, B. McDermott, B. Carmichael, L. Caldwell, Mr. Dohoda. ROW TWO: T. Super, J. Leslie, M. Yeager, R. Greacher, M. Bennett, N. Tosh, N. Robson, S. Sterrett, K. Baird, E. Lepsch. ROW THREE: D. Henderson, R. Rhoades, S. Jones, J. Bucceri, G. Haire, W. Hepner, C. Chornick, M. Mears, D. Boring. ROW FOUR: W. Hoover, H. Smyder, D. Bowman, D. Duncan, D. Krider, R. Shank, R. Brown, R. Cummings, W. Spare, R. Love. ABSENTEES: R. Hollen.

Hard work and good times go together to give the Junior Class of 1958-59 a well-rounded education. Their home rooms are 12, 14, and 19. They took their studies seriously and attacked the extracurricular program with "knock-out" enthusiasm. The juniors are proud to boast seventeen band and twenty-one chorus members, three student council representatives, three cheerleaders, and many participants in clubs, football, basketball, and baseball. Three juniors - Ray Rhoades, Don Krider, and George Haire - represented L. V. at county band at Latrobe High. Robert Cummings, Larry Henderson, and Nettie Cable are student council representatives. Cheerleaders are Mary Jane Kastner, Yvonne Klodell, and Katie Baird. Although the juniors are engaged in all these extracurricular activities, they will work diligently to keep their places on the honor roll.

The junior play "Papa Says No," presented on November 20, gave some of these eager young actors a chance to display their dramatic talents for the very first time. Top-notch performances from leads and supporting actors made the comedy a hit with both the matinee and evening audiences. In charge of every phase of the play's production was Mrs. Irene Beard who did a commendable job.

To earn money for the prom, the juniors planned two projects. The first Valentine Dance, was held on Friday, February 13. Even Friday the 13th couldn't hold this dance down. This delightful occasion proved to be a financial success. The juniors came out on top in proceeds. Next they sold green and white pencils. The juniors really worked on this project. Looking for prospective buyers, they covered every inch of the entire school system. It is not surprising then to add that this campaign enriched the class treasury by quite a few dollars.

The finale was the annual Junior-Senior Prom, May 8, in the beautifully decorated high school gym. Days of anxiety finally came to an end, only to be over far too soon. Happy couples smiled as the last strains of "Goodnight Sweetheart" filled the gym, and another lovely evening ended.

One more hurdle, final exams, remained to be passed before they could assume their positions as seniors. Textbooks, pens, notebooks, and a few drops of perspiration were the earmarks of the slaving juniors during the last days of school. Most class members came through with flying colors for on May 29 report cards were proudly exhibited all through the halls.

shiny new class rings and entertained at prom

ROW ONE: Mrs. Harris, D. Gordon, V. Toth, N. Kisamore, K. Ludwig, Y. Klodell, B. Carmichael, L. Henderson, L. Magnani, E. Fletcher, Mr. Pudliner. ROW TWO: L. Henderson, J. Munshower, H. Hill, R. Henderson, D. Flickinger, R. Warfel, J. Dickert, N. Stiffey, P. Fry, R. Goodlin. ROW THREE: D. Gamble, J. Robinson, D. Duncan, J. Carmichael, J. Mundorff, J. Crusan, E. Oswalt, P. Peters, S. Sharp. ROW FOUR: W. Stiffey, W. Fox, W. Shingler, D. Marsh, S. Yeager, L. Trexler, R. Colins, J. Mitchell. ABSENTEES: D. Caldwell, C. Deemer, R. Dennison, J. Miller, S. Payne, N. Cable.

In the fall, junior leaders had their first taste of busy school life, for plans to earn money for their many activities had to be considered. Standing about Mr. Klaum, sponsor, are (left to right) Wayne Hepner, president; Sally Jones, secretary; Mr. Pudliner, sponsor; William Hoover, vice-president; Norma Kells, treasurer

CLASS OF 1961 selected their courses and eagerly

ROW ONE: J. Walls, E. Peer, T. Zucco, G. Thomas, M. Magnani, J. Mied, L. Sheriff, Mr. Pesci. ROW TWO: S. Roby, S. Kruk, D. Shellhammer, C. Clark, N. Winebrenner, D. Graff, F. Golis, R. Garland. ROW THREE: I. Tantlinger, P. Kinzey, R. Spory, M. Harris, L. Kinzey, S. Bodinsky, R. Miller. ROW FOUR: C. Ray, D. Fritz, J. Parsha, L. Long, C. Hurt, S. Moore, D. Hull, H. Clark. ABSENTEES: T. Bottegal, J. Henderson, P. Mundorff, W. Tantlinger.

ROW ONE: R. Roby, B. Gehring, J. Corvi, M. Grillo, D. Hutchko, A. Hutchko, C. Swank, B. Buckles, Miss Salerno. ROW TWO: N. Ambrose, F. Cummings, M. Rector, E. Meyer, W. Burkett, O. Wagner, M. Flickinger, N. McCreery, J. Foster. ROW THREE: W. Boring, J. Beal, B. Glacken, R. Stiles, J. Bobko, R. Merritt, K. Sharp, C. Sharp. ROW FOUR: R. Grillo, W. Hill, T. Henderson, L. Fox, T. Craig, R. Robson, E. Chesla. ABSENTEES: H. Garland, A. Kisamore, K. Lynch, J. Short, G. Beard.

looked toward advancement at the year's end

ROW ONE: S. Yeager, R. Bucceri, E. Burkett, L. McGraw, S. Baird, P. Howard, D. Bouch, Mrs. Gamble. ROW TWO: J. Hall, K. Hughes, L. Garland, C. Peer, M. Gamble, M. Yeager. ROW THREE: B. Shingler, D. Shirey, J. Toth, J. McLaughlin, W. Reitler.

The sophomores possess much diligence, for hardwork has been their theme since '49. This group has representatives on the football, baseball, and basketball teams. Chorus, county chorus, band, and county band occupied much of their spare time. The scholastic ability of the class is proven by the large number of students on the honor roll and high honor roll each six-weeks.

The class of '61 is proud of an enrollment of ninety-one enthusiastic, ambitious members.

Mr. Pahach and Mr. Stewart, the sponsors, helped the students with such activities as the sophomore dance on February 27.

The members of the tenth grade are evenly scattered among the academic, general, vocational, and commercial courses. Although much fun comes with entering the sophomore year, there are also many responsibilities and tasks which confront its members.

Some are preparing for college work. Others are learning the skills required for jobs in the business world. The vocational course offers training for future homemakers. The new subjects of Spanish, geometry, typing, bookkeeping, literature, and biology are presented to the student along with a review of English grammar, world history, and health.

Enthusiastic chiefs prepared a busy schedule for their classmates. They eagerly ordered bright new class rings signifying their advancement. Pictured left to right are Elaine Burkett, treasurer; Barbara Shingler, president; Lynette Kinzey, vice-president; Mr. Pahach, sponsor; Douglas Hull, secretary. Absent: Mr. Stewart, sponsor.

CLASS OF 1962 looks forward to entering Senior

ROW ONE: B. Short, J. Luther, D. Baird, J. Werder, L. Thompson, B. Shingler, J. Sellers, T. Brown, Mrs. Haire. ROW TWO: C. Wittler, W. McClure, S. Mears, S. Mundorff, M. Johns, N. Baird, J. Bobko, C. Beal, M. Schweppe. ROW THREE: M. Yeager, A. Lohr, M. Henderson, K. Baird, R. Fry, D. Caldwell, G. Wakefield, M. Shellhammer. ROW FOUR: L. Saltarelli, J. Burkett, J. Walker, R. Freidhoff, D. Winebrenner, B. Edmiston, E. Boske. ABSENTEE: W. Cunningham.

ROW ONE: B. Trimble, H. Henderson, E. Banko, C. Wynn, R. Rensko, C. Banko, I. Rolley, P. Simpson, S. Peters, J. Schrock. Mr. Stewart. ROW TWO: S. Wagner, P. Elofsky, M. Chesla, S. Strayer, P. Garventa, I. Greacher, R. Stivison, T. Doyle, N. Ritenour. ROW HREE: R. Gennaro, C. Heming, M. Miller, E. Fox, R. Miller, P. Petrosky, K. Krouse. ABSENTEES: M. Baird, J. DeWitt, J. Guy, D. Henderson, K. McKinney.

High and accepting new responsibilities

ROW ONE: L. St. Clair, S. Boring, J. Stiffey, W. Dunmire, L. Caldwell, G. Kisamore, D. Deyarmin, Mr. Galbreath. ROW TWO: A. Deemer, D. Langham, A. Edwards, G. Beard, J. Colson, G. Martin, G. Dunmire, J. Callihan. ROW THREE: J. Riddell, R. Craig, R. Baldwin, G. Henderson, L. Callihan, D. Horvath, R. Potts. ABSENTEES: C. Bailey, D. Deyarmin, L Garland, B. Luker, W. Robinson, J. Saunders.

Freshmen! At last! This year the Class of 1962 prepared to take their first footsteps toward their future careers, for they chose the course which will determine what type of education they will receive at Laurel Valley. The students who selected the academic course found that algebra can be a little more difficult than just adding one and one. Another subject to which the freshmen were introduced was general science which will lay the foundation for physics and chemistry. All the freshmen studied English and history, which were both very interesting and quite necessary. Commas and quotation marks can be confusing. Important world events must be discussed. In home ec the girls were busy with cooking and sewing, while in the industrial art class the boys were just as occupied with sawing and sanding. This year the freshmen had their last required courses in art and music. Along with health and physical education, the ninth graders carried a full academic schedule.

A large number of the boys took an active part in athletics. In a few years they will be players on winning football, basketball, and baseball teams of which Laurel Valley will be proud.

The freshmen who looked with proper admiration and respect at the upperclassmen set a fine behavior pattern for the classes below them. With highest aspirations and determined ambitions, they are looking forward to the time when they will be sophomores. As they continue their footsteps to fortune, they will always be seeking knowledge.

Ambitious officers discuss plans for their class activities. Socially this eager class was at its peak in March when they held their annual class dance. Meeting in the library are (left to right) Scott Mears, secretary; David Horvath, president; Mr. Dohoda, sponsor; Benjamin Edmiston, treasurer; Mr. Howard, sponsor; Thomas Brown, vice-president.

CLASS OF 1963 acquired more knowledge

ROW ONE: B. Toth, K. Stiffey, D. James, F. Tomb, W. Wakefield, C. Lepsch, B. Wynn, B. Mundorff, D. Pendexter, Mr. Klaum. ROW TWO: L. Wagner, S. Toth, J. Vrable, C. Yeager, R. Stiffey, W. Moore, D. Rolling, B. McMaster, C. Shetler, H. Trimble. ROW THREE: M. Trusz, R. Moore, W. Shank, S. LaMantia, W. Nixon, R. Sheriff, T. Marolt, C. Hood, C. Parsha. ROW FOUR: S. Treasure, D. Ray, D. McDowell, C. Hropovich T. Marsh. H. Yeager, E. Krider, D. Leary. ABSENTEES: C. Dennison, M. Stercho, R. Tantlinger.

Reading, writing, and arithmetic were just a few of the subjects that the eighth graders at Laurel Valley had on their schedules. They also studied science, English, history, geography, and health. The boys worked in the shop while the girls prepared to be future homemakers in their home economics classes. This industrious class always had a large number of students listed on the honor roll.

During the activity period and after school, the eighth graders found time to take a great interest in clubs and other organizations. Elaine Krider, Linda Wagner, Carrie Hood, Jerry Vrable, Dennis Doyle, and Lynette Hite represented their class in the band. The various basketball teams of Laurel Valley boasted many eighth grade players. Supporting these teams with cheers could be found the Junior High Cheerleaders--Barbara Wynn, Sandra Treasurer, Carrie Shetler, and Suzanne Cavanaugh. The boys and girls of the eighth grade were very active in the basketball intramurals held during both lunch periods. The Student Council representatives, Harry Trimble and Lynette Hite, informed their class of Student Council activities. The Spring Play, "Grandad Steps Out," had in the cast four eighth graders. The part of Kip, the boy who ended up with three dates for the same day, was played by James Bennett. The triplets who had every one confused, especially Grandad, were portrayed by Coradina Bucceri, Carole DeWitt, and Kerry Garland.

The eighth graders showed their super-salesmanship in the magazine campaign by having class members win second and third prizes. Carole DeWitt came in second; Barbara Wynn won third place The eighth graders are planning for their Washington, D. C., trip by collecting dues every week. To increase their treasury balance, they will be holding dances and presenting plays when they become upperclassmen. All in all the eighth grade has a very bright looking future with upcoming scholars, musicians, and athletic stars.

Eager to be on their way as freshmen, they live in an "in-between world" between elementary school and high school. They scramble to be grown-ups but hold back to be children. Social acceptance is more to be desired by many than high grades.

entered the educational experiences of our school

ROW ONE: W. Clawson, J. Bennett, S. Hill, R. Glacken, D. Bottegal, J. Bernabo, W. Burkett, K. Bottegal, Mr. Howard.. ROW TWO: V. Ciotti, J. Carmichael, C. Bucceri, J. Henderson, D. Heming, D. Henderson, S. Cavanaugh, C. DeWitt, B. Craig. ROW THREE: B. Crusan, C. Banko, R. Heming, S. Grillo, R. Callihan, C. Bouch, C. DeWitt, M. Charles. ROW FOUR: L. Hite, K. Garland, W. Felton, D. DeWitt, K. Gray, D. Doyle, J. Gibson. ABSENTEES: P. Cable, J. Henderson.

Geography is a bore, history is a chore, English is something to be endured. Geography takes one to far away places but none of those places are where an eighth grader wants to go at that moment. Scientists might be interested in launching a rocket to the moon but our eighth graders can go to the moon and back during any class period and the teacher hasn't realized they have been away. But come next fall they will pursue a normal course and enter the open door of the Freshman Class. From there they will go on to bigger and better things and Laurel Valley will be proud to have known them.

These peppy officers with their sponsors plan a worthwhile class activity. Their dance held in April was a success. Pictured left to right are Elaine Krider, vice-president; Robert Moore, treasurer; Mrs. Harris, sponsor; Mrs. Gamble, sponsor; Hazel Yeager, secretary; William Burkett, president.

CLASS OF 1964 was busy learning the routines

ROW ONE: Leroy McIntyre, L. McIntyre, G. Shetler, G. Saltarelli, D. McDermott, M. Regula, D. Rhoades, R. Sisitki, T. Shank, Mrs. Beard. ROW TWO: R. Smyder, K. Rummel, B. Shank, D. Shetler, G. Spinelli, C. Neiport, C. Rensko, P. Roby, J. Mied. ROW THREE: M. Schweppe, J. Quee.. B. Williams, J. Robson, B. Oswalt, R. Walker, J. Stutzman, B. Rolley, J. Miller, C. Robb. ROW FOUR: B. Kot, J. Stormer, D. Mabon, T. Ritenour S. Sanders L. Whyte, E. Moore, M. Muir, J. Sisitki. ABSENTEES: D. McCauley, C. Tantlinger.

Looking very confused and a little frightened, the seventh graders marched through the portals of Laurel Valley for the first time in September of 1958. Eighty-six students comprise this class. These young boys and girls adapted themselves quickly to the everyday routine of school life and soon learned the location of the gym, shop, cafeteria, and home ec rooms.

Extracurricular activities attracted many seventh graders. Those who were musically inclined became members of the band. Kathy Rummel, Carol Rensko, Mary Ann Regula, Gary Saltarelli, Joseph Cook, Donna Heming, Robert Jones, Ralph Bernabo, and George Spinelli were those active musicians. At the Junior High basketball games, the pretty seventh grade cheerleaders leading the yells were Darlene McDermott and Susan Fox. Many future varsity basketball stars, scoring points for the Junior High team, were also seen on the hardcourt.

Dorothy Allshouse, Darlynn Mabon, and Susan Fox represented their class at Student Council meetings. Those who enjoyed singing were members of the Junior Chorus. Though they have participated in many extracurricular activities, the Honor Roll proves that also scholastically they have achieved recognition for many seventh grade names appear on this distinguished list.

One of the many new experiences they encountered was the thrill of selecting the club of their choice. The decision was difficult, but they tackled all classes with determination for they were eager to learn.

The seventh graders tried in some small way to improve student life at Laurel Valley. They were a lively, energetic group who increased the friendly attitude of the school. Various dances provided social pleasure for those who enjoyed an evening of fum. The conclusion of their first year at Laurel Valley was marked with success and happiness by their promotion to eighth grade.

of the school and tackled new academic courses

ROW ONE: F. Fabrizio, J. Garland, R. Jones, R. Howard, R. Bernabo, D. Heming, D. Ferri, K. Johnson, G. Flickinger, M. Kelly, E. Charles, R. Glessner, Mr. Pahach. ROW TWO: L. Bartholomew, G. Buckles, J. Cook, S. Kerr, W. Crooks, S. Boring, R. Jackson, C. Ciotti, D. Cummings, R. Decker, L. Boring, K. Clawson. ROW THREE: T. Garland, C. Ewt, M. Boring, D. Elofsky, C. Henderson, W. Friedman, A. Davis, T. Fulcomer E. Jarvis, S. Dubics, I. Garland, B. Garland, B. Baird. ROW FOUR: R. Jackson, B. Callihan, E. Flickinger, G. DeWeese, L. Busch, M. Howard, F. Baird, W. Dick, J. Gehring, D. Allshouse, A. Garland, O. Hurt. ABSENTEES: C. Cable, S. Fox.

Happy youngsters take a giant step in growing up as they participate in their first intramurals and activities. Class officers pause to listen to advice from their sponsors. Left to right are Donna Heming, vice-president; Joseph Cook, president; Georgia DeWeese, secretary; Judy Miller, treasurer; Mrs. Beard, (standing) sponsor; Mrs. Haire, sponsor.

EDUCATION is acquired in many fields

Driver Education provided students with the opportunity to be safe drivers. Mr. Pesci discusses the principals of safe driving with John Miller, Josephine LaMantia, and Lilah Caldwell.

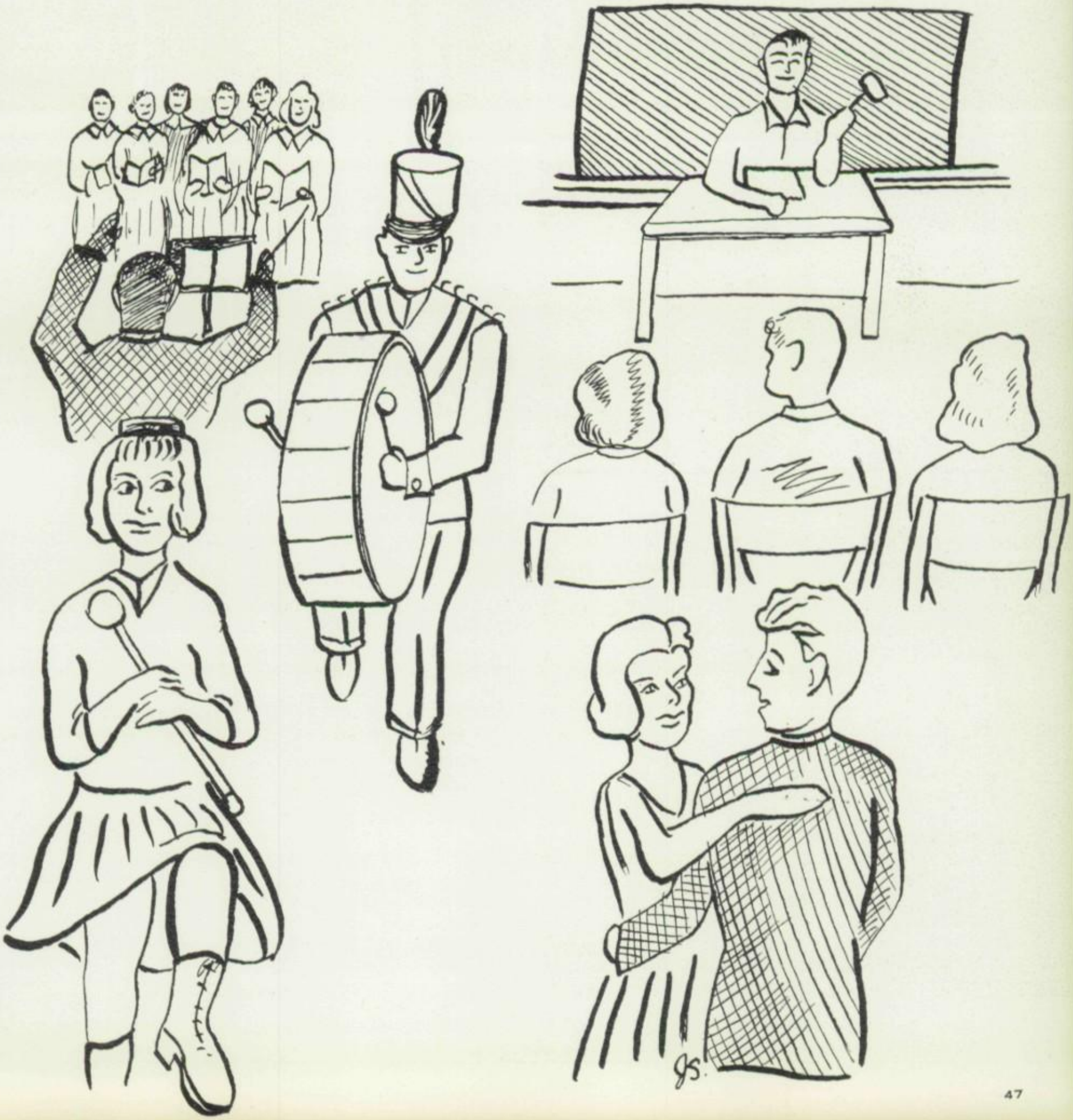
Bob Jackson instructs as Jim Luther finds the specific gravity of lead.

Mr. Stewart supervises the work of students in the cafeteria study hall.

Senior homemakers are busy trying to complete their outfits for the Christmas holiday.

Miss Salerno explains the process of dissecting lima beans to Barbara Shingler, Wilma Jean Reitler, and Irvin Tantlinger.

Activities



LAUREL STAFF struggled to complete the

LEFT TO RIGHT: M. Wagner, L. Longenecker, L. Burkett, B. Spory, Mrs. Chisnell.

The publication of this LAUREL was an ideal towards which the members of the staff worked eagerly and tirelessly. They realized that, to leave to those who will come after them "footsteps to fortune" the work would have to be of the highest quality.

With a deadline to be met, the editors worked many hours after school to accomplish their task. Articles were assigned, written, scrapped, re-written, typed, returned, and finally accepted for publication. Writing the articles and planning the page dummies were just two of their tasks. Other activities included planning schedules for the photographer and financing their publication. Securing money for the cost of the yearbook is one of the primary aims of the editors. Home room representatives were selected to collect the LAUREL payments every month and to take care of the receipts.

To every senior a year book is a precious treasure. It tells through its pictures of a very colorful span of school life with its moments of joy and sadness, its deep friendships, its memories of exciting plays at football and basketball games, and its capture of life in the classroom. After capturing these educational and social experiences of the school year and putting them together with photography, pen, and typewriter, the editors produced an attractive and informative annual.

The staff chose the theme "Footsteps to Fortune," to depict the footsteps taken in the past to the footsteps to be completed in the future.

Linda Longenecker was named editor; Laura Burkett, layout editor; Bonnie Spory, feature editor; and Maryann Wagner, business manager. The commercial students were responsible for the typing. Other seniors showed their literary talents by writing copy. Still others helped with the sale of advertising. George Stiffey assisted the photographer by carrying cameras, flashbulbs, film, and even stepladders.

The mornings of October 14 and 15 found fifteen members of the senior class ready to tackle the job of selling advertising for the LAUREL. They visited local and near-by communities. These groups collected about eight hundred dollars from the sale of ads.

The staff along with Mrs. Chisnell, the advisor, worked during the activity periods and many evenings after school to complete the copy and layout for the LAUREL before the deadline. Although hard work, long hours, and great patience were required, the staff enjoyed many humorous moments and occasions. Their only wish is that the students will enjoy reading and looking through this permanent record of the years 1958-59.

editorial work, typing, and photography

LAUREL TYPISTS volunteered to help with the preparation of the copy for the yearbook. The girls typed rough drafts of nearly all written materials.

ROW ONE: (Left to Right) L. Longenecker, J. Peters, E. Henderson, J. Wynn. ROW TWO: L. Burkett, M. Wagner, V. Sharp, B. Henderson. ABSENTEES: J. LaMantia, B. Benito.

TOP TO BOTTOM: B. Altemus, J. Meyer, J. Zaragoza, R. Henderson, V. Sharp, R. Hedges, H. Treasure, J. Luther, K. Harford, M. Wagner, J. Trusz, L. Longenecker, B. Austin, L. Burkett. ABSENTEE: B. Spory.

The fifteen solicitors sold advertising for the yearbook. On October 14 and 15 these seniors visited the local and near-by communities of Bolivar, New Florence, Seward, Blairsville, Ligonier, Smokeless, and Johnstown. The experience gained from selling advertising proved to be very practical. The solicitors were very proud of a total of nearly eight hundred dollars.

HI-LITE STAFF worked to publish a newspaper

SITTING: (Left to Right) Miss Nichols, Advisor; Joe Parsha, Joe Warfel, Nancy Kisamore, Josephine LaMantia, Rose Lena Bucceri. STANDING: Ray Horvath, Jim Meyer, Fritz Henderson.

SITTING: (Left to Right) Miriam Mears, Ray Rhoades, Carol Ray, Elaine Burkett. STANDING: Peggy Yeager, Barbara Rensko, Susan Fox, Bruce Mundorff, Shirley Toth.

Reporting school news in effective English, developing the qualities of responsibility and accuracy, and promoting school spirit have been the goals of the staff for the 1958-1959 school term. Miss Marie Nichols is the advisor.

The newspaper staff is composed of interested students from the junior and senior high schools. The reporters, feature writers, and editors work diligently and tirelessly to give our students an informative and attractive paper.

Prior to this year, the paper was printed by our commercial department; but now it is sent to a publishing company to be printed in newspaper form.

Through the HI-LITE, the students keep abreast of events in classes, clubs, and activities. Among the features are class reports, humor, printed cartoons, essays, poems, miscellaneous news, sports, and pictures.

The editors and staff are chosen by the advisors and preceding editors. They work vigorously to keep the students informed about daily school events.

SITTING: (Left to Right) Judy Peters, Maryann Wagner, Linda Longenecker, Josephine LaMantia. STANDING: Laura Burkett.

worked for general welfare of the school STUDENT COUNCIL

SITTING: N. Cable, T. Doyle, C. Chornick, R. Brown R. Hedges, C. Galbraith, Mrs. Rosen, L. Longenecker, H. Trimble. STANDING: J. Bobko, J. Callihan, R. Friedhoff, J. Parsha, R. Bucceri, L. Hite, J. Trimble, D. Allshouse, D. Mabon, S. Fox. ABSENTEES: R. Cummings, L. Henderson.

The student council is made up of the boys and girls who were elected by their home rooms to represent them and to participate in certain areas of school activity under the supervision of the administration. The following officers were elected by the student body: president, Ralph Hedges; vice president, Carol Galbraith; secretary, Carol Chornick; treasurer, Robert Brown.

This year the student council worked on two main projects. The project getting their first attention was the drawing up of a Code of Behavior for the student body of Laurel Valley. Each student in his home room was given the opportunity of submitting a list of items to be included in such a code. The members of the council combined and summarized these lists. A committee composed of Ralph Hedges, Harry Trimble, James Bobko, and Rose Lena Bucceri worked further with the material and drew up the following ten point code:

A Code of Behavior
By
Laurel Valley Students
For
Laurel Valley Students

1. Obey all school laws.
2. Make an honest and sincere effort to learn.
3. Be appropriately dressed for school.
4. Strive for cleanliness in mind and body.
5. Be courteous to teachers and to other students.
6. Have respect for property of the school and of other people.
7. Follow traffic regulations in halls and on the stairs.
8. Arrive on time to school and to classes.
9. Have good sportsmanship.
10. Express school loyalty by supporting school activities.

The second project undertaken by this year's council was to evolve and execute a plan for motivation and honoring scholastic achievement. The council decided that to meet the challenge facing education in the United States today, the school should give more recognition and encouragement to those students who are doing exceptionally good work in their subjects. A committee was set up to study the matter and to plan a function for honor students. The members of the committee were Rose Lena Bucceri, Robert Brown, Larry Henderson, and Robert Friedhoff.

BAND enthusiastically marched at football games,

KNEELING: M. Wagner, L. Burkett, L. Henderson, H. LaMantia, L. Longenecker. ROW ONE: L. Kinzey, G. Saltarelli, R. Bernabo, K. Rummel, D. Heming, L. Wagner, G. Spinelli, J. Vrable, J. Walls, J. Cook, C. Rensko, M. Regula, R. Jones, Mr. Gorirossi. ROW TWO: J. Sellers, M. Magnani, J. Neiport, C. Hood, N. Kells, D. Wagner, M. Schweppe, L. Thompson, C. Wittler, J. Hall, L. McGraw, P. Simpson, J. Corvi. ROW THREE: D. Graff, N. Robson, D. Henderson, E. Krider, S. Jones, R. Rhoades, G. Wakefield, D. Doyle, C. Chornick, I. McGraw, L. Hite, J. LaMantia. ROW FOUR: C. Robinson, A. Lohr, B. Austin, B. Edmiston, P. Mundorff, R. Hollen, D. Krider, W. Stiffey, G. Haire, W. Hoover, H. Treasure.

Have you heard the L. V. J. H. S. band recently? Perhaps you listened to the group at a football game, at their Annual Spring Concert on April 23, in a parade, or during a practice session.

In football season the marching band presented well organized shows during the half-times. All the performances at home and away games were jobs well done. The Laurel Valley musicians started the 1958-59 school term two weeks earlier than the regular student body to practice drills, formations, and new music in order to give the football team the support it well deserved. At nine o'clock every morning a group of sleepy-eyed musicians began marching practice on the football field in New Florence. Once they had become acquainted with the routine, three o'clock came quickly.

"Did you bring the wieners?"

"You didn't forget the buns?"

These were familiar questions during the last day of band camp, because the members were going to Keystone Park for a picnic. They had decided on a day of fun and relaxation after two weeks of solid practice.

The crisp, cool evening of October 29 turned out to be a happy occasion, for at the Amvets Halloween Parade in Johnstown this attractive marching group was awarded second prize in competition with bands from Westmoreland, Cambria, and Indiana counties.

Soon the snowflakes came flying. With this weather also arrived the Christmas season. The band and the chorus presented a Yuletide program for the student body and general public. A few of the selections played were "Happy Christmas, Little Friend," "Toy and Tinsel Overture," "Nativity Overture," "O Holy Night" (accompanying the chorus), and "Silent Night."

"Practice makes perfect" proved to be a true statement when the band presented their Annual Spring Concert on April 23, to the public and student body. The music was selected so that each section of the band would be featured in a special number. "Holiday for Trombones," "Trumpet Boogie," "Woodwin Wonderland," "I Love A Parade," and "The Golden Eagle March" were featured selections.

practiced new formations and performed for school assemblies

Mr. Eugene Gorirossi, who instructs and directs this organization, certainly deserves a word of thanks for his patience and hard work. Mr. Gorirossi came to Laurel Valley the year the seniors entered seventh grade.

Bonnie Austin, a senior, and Robert Hollen, a junior, were elected student directors. These students have supervision of the band when the director is absent from practice. Each student director conducted a selection at the concert.

A band committee was selected to choose music for performances, to produce programs for different activities, and to aid in making decisions for the group. One person from each grade eight to twelve was elected to serve on a committee. Carolyn Hood represented the eight grade; Benjamin Edmiston, the ninth grade; Lynette Kinzey, the tenth grade; Jane Neiport, the eleventh grade; and Maryann Wagner, the twelfth grade.

Sparking the band at football games and parades were the drum majorette and the majorettes. Lynette Kinzey, who had been selected as drum majorette, did an outstanding job. Pep and vivacity characterized head twirler Linda Henderson and bannercarriers Bonnie Spory and JoAnn Wynn.

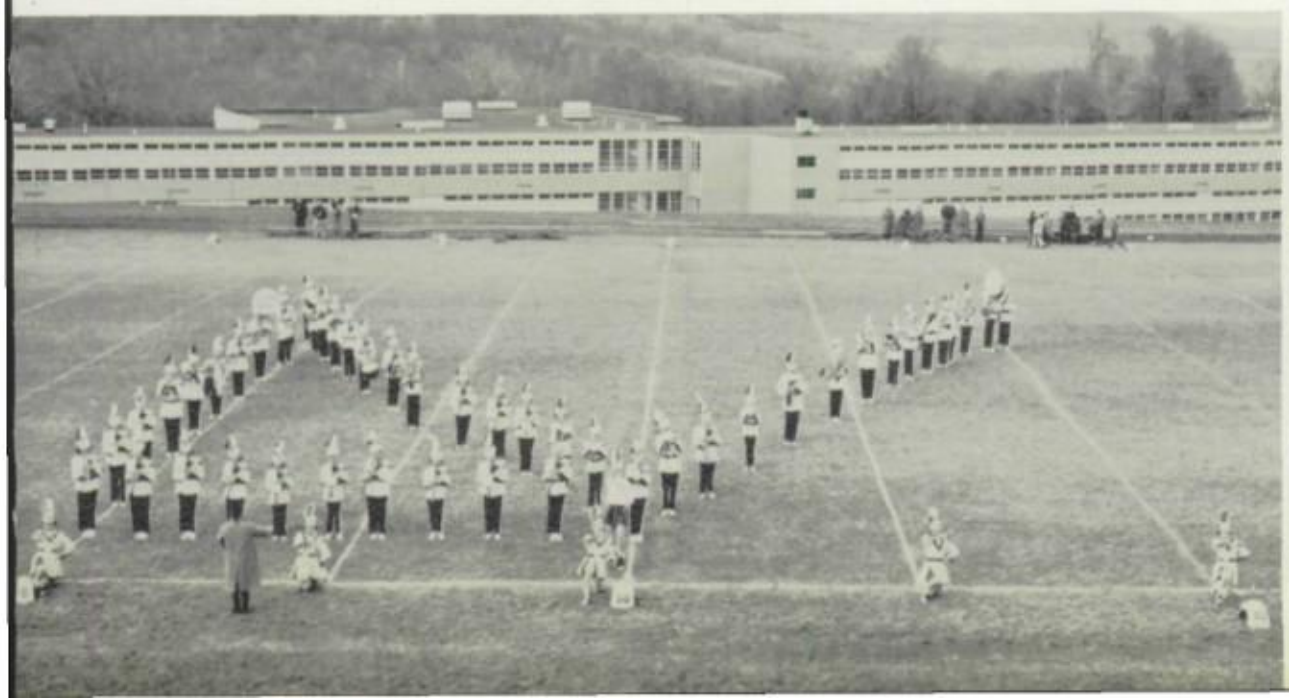
Next year the band and the student body will miss the senior majorettes--Helen LaMantia, Linda Longenecker, Laura Burkett, and Maryann Wagner. These peppy and attractive girls have added much to the appearance of the band and have served with devotion and faithfulness. Senior band members who will leave their uniforms and instruments to younger students are Ina McGraw, Bonnie Austin, Josephine LaMantia, Charles Robinson, and Hayes Treasure.

The band officers are as follows:

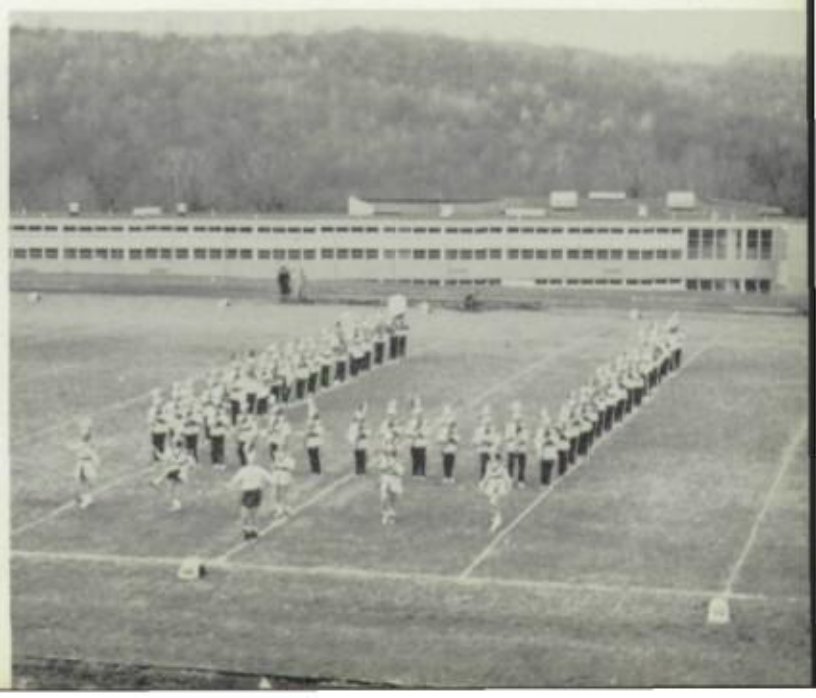
President ..... Bonnie Austin
Vice-President ..... George Haire
Secretary ..... Sally Jones
Treasurer ..... Marjorie Magnani
Librarians ..... Norma Kells and Carole Chornick

Mr. Gorirossi enjoys talking to the senior band members and majorettes who have faithfully participated in the marching band. SITTING: I. McGraw, B. Austin, J. LaMantia. STANDING: C. Robinson, L. Longenecker, L. Burkett, H. Treasure, M. Wagner, H. LaMantia, Mr. Gorirossi.

The majorettes salute as the band forms an L. V. and plays the Alma Mater.



The Laurel Valley High School Marching Band pays tribute to United with a "U" formation.



Acclaimed an outstanding group

MAJORETTES performed during half time shows, at football games, practiced diligently, and added to the appearance of the band. Laura Burkett, Helen LaMantia, Maryann Wagner, and Linda Longenecker--senior majorettes will be greatly missed by the band in next year's organization. LEFT TO RIGHT: L. Burkett, H. LaMantia, M. Wagner, L. Longenecker, L. Henderson.

BAND OFFICERS planned social events, worked out formations, selected music, and organized bus trips. LEFT TO RIGHT: (Sitting) C. Chornick, M. Magnani, (Standing) N. Kells, S. Jones, Mr. Gorirossi, B. Austin, G. Haire.

BAND MANAGERS were responsible for the care of the uniforms, instruments, and the banner. They always had to find lost music, instruments, and any other misplaced articles belonging to band members. These people arranged all seating for the band at home games. A word of thanks goes to these boys. LEFT TO RIGHT: D. Hull, G. Wakefield, A. Lohr, J. Beal, B. Edmiston, J. Mundorff.

improved their vocal talents SENIOR CHORUS

ROW ONE: J. Nieport, B. Benito, L. Magnani, T. Zucco, B. McDermott, R. Bucceri, S. Yeager, N. Kells, E. Burkett, J. Sellers, D. Mack, N. Cable, E. Peer, L. Sheriff, H. Muir, Mr. Hall. ROW TWO: B. Carmichael, M. Magnani, H. LaMantia, D. Baird, J. LaMantia, B. Spory, G. Stiffey, S. Clark, J. Wynn, S. Cable, J. Peters, J. Luther, L. McGraw, P. Simpson, B. Shingler. ROW THREE: D. Graff, C. Peer, D. Henderson, Y. Klodell, N. Robson, N. Tosh, J. Meyer, R. Cummings, J. Trusz, S. Mundorff, B. Shingler, K. Baird, D. Shellhammer, M. Yeager, S. Roby, B. Henderson. ROW FOUR: K. Bobko, N. Mroczka, S. Jones, C. Chornick, M. Mears, N. Baird, R. Hollen, J. Luther, C. Beal, J. Colson, R. Greacher, S. Strayer, C. Bennett, J. Wallace, S. Beal. ROW FIVE: J. Hughes, D. Caldwell, L. Kinzey, K. Baird, V. Sharp, D. Winebrenner, B. Altemus, K. Harford, K. Sharp, C. Sharp, C. Raye, S. Sharp, M. Yeager, M. Shellhammer.

The senior chorus, composed of singers from the ninth, tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grades, rehearsed during activity period Tuesday mornings. The only requirements for membership in this organization were desire and willingness to sing.

During the year the senior chorus participated in several school activities; the first was the Christmas program. This year the band and chorus presented a combined program. The narration of the Christmas Story was done by William Hoover, and the chorus sang "Sleep, My Jesus Sleep," "God Bless The Little Things." "Behold That Star," "The Twelve Days Of Christmas," and "Carol Of The Bells." The band and chorus did "O Holy Night," "Silent Night," and "Auld Lang Syne."

On February 26 and 27 All-County Chorus was held at Hempfield Twp. High. This affair brought singers together from all Westmoreland County high schools and gave them an opportunity to work and sing together under a college music director. After two days' rehearsal a public program was presented Friday evening.

In April the annual Spring Concert was presented with both band and chorus participating. The chorus sang "Surrey With The Fringe On Top," "People Will Say We're In Love," "Will You Remember?" and several other songs.

The next activity involving the senior chorus was one at which the members didn't sing. This was Awards Day, at this annual presentation of awards, the senior members of the chorus received pins as remembrances of their chorus events.

Finally, at the end of the busy year came the two services for which the senior class had eagerly waited --Baccalaureate and Commencement. During the Baccalaureate Service the chorus sang a religious song and a response to the benediction. At commencement two secular songs were sung by the chorus, and the band and chorus joined in "Auld Lang Syne" to send the seniors on their last trip from Laurel Valley High School.

JUNIOR CHORUS enjoyed their weekly rehearsals

ROW ONE: R. Glessner, J. Garland, K. Bottegal, M. Regula, K. Johnson, C. Ciotti, B. Shank, C. Rensko, L. Bartholemew, K. Clawson, K. Rummel, S. Fox, Mr. Hall. ROW TWO: D. Heming, J. Queer, C. Ewt, M. Schweppe, S. Kerr, B. Baird, B. Garland, J. Miller, J. Henderson, L. Wagner, B. Wynn, L. Boring. ROW THREE: C. Henderson, C. Robb, I. Garland, S. Cavanaugh, J. Carmichael, R. Howard, J. Bennett, M. Kelly, R. Jones, S. Toth, C. DeWitt, E. Jarvis, C. Shetler. ROW FOUR: M. Trusz, M. Charles, L. Hite, C. Hood, D. Leary, G. Buckles, J. Cook, R. Bernabo, D. Allshouse, S. Treasure, B. Kot, D. Mabon. ROW FIVE: H. Yeager, G. DeWeese, F. Baird, S. Sanders, S. Dubics, T. Marolt, A. Garland, S. Boring, D. DeWitt, M. Howard, K. Garland.

During a typical Thursday activity period the sound of many voices can be heard singing in Room 1. The voices are those of the seventh and eighth grade junior chorus.

Although the whole junior chorus doesn't perform very often at programs, it is an important organization, for from its members come the future senior choruses of Laurel Valley.

Many types of music are sung by the junior chorus. Religious songs, folk music, and popular songs are examples of a typical morning's singing. This young chorus group has been praised for its work, but even more important, the members have developed a deep appreciation of music and enjoyed many happy hours of singing.

Part singing, which will later be very important in chorus work, is also stressed in the junior chorus. At first many Community Sing type sings are used. Among these are "America," "The Star Spangled Banner," "Home On The Range," "Battle Hymn Of The Republic," "A Merry Life," and the three traditional rounds--"Row, Row Your Boat," "Three Blind Mice," and "Brother John." Later the group uses two-part music such as "Little Brown Church In The Vale," "Tell Me Why," "The Sidewalks Of New York," "Down In The Valley," "Red River Valley," "Our Boys Will Shine Tonight," and "Annie Laurie." Finally, three part music will be started with "Oh, Those Golden Slippers," "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot," "Around The Corner," "Vive la Compagnie," "Some Folks Do," and "America, The Beautiful." All year the chorus spends some time learning and perfecting our high school Alma Mater.

One important thing that shouldn't be forgotten or overlooked is that the junior chorus sings for enjoyment. Mr. Hall, its director, has devoted much time to the group and has given encouragement to these aspiring singers.

JUNIOR PLAY featured talents of class members

SITTING: (Left to Right) D. Henderson, B. Carmichael, N. Tosh, N. Kells, R. Rhoades, W. Spare, K. Baird, D. Krider. STANDING: B. Hollen, W. Hepner, Y. Klodell, J. Dickert, D. Caldwell, M. Mears, Mrs. Beard, M. Kastner.

Anyone could easily detect an air of excitement among the juniors on November 19. On this day they staged their three act comedy, "Papa Says No." Only a few last minute problems remained to be solved when a notice came from the office that one of the members of the cast was unable to participate in the play because of illness. The cast was summoned to an emergency practice to prepare another person for that role. By afternoon, the substitute had learned her lines and all other last minute details had been taken care of. The scenery and props had been checked to see that everything was in order. The prompters had taken their places and the stage crew had been given their final instructions. Backstage awaiting their cues were fifteen cases of stage fright. The play was ready to begin. The curtains were drawn and the cast began to exhibit their talents.

The audience was amazed at how a junior could age so fast when Warren Spare appeared on stage as Alonzo K. Page, a business man of 55. Displaying the antics of a meddlesome old maid, Norma Kells portrayed her part as Miss Watts exceptionally well.

There were many hilarious scenes in the play. The students burst into peals of laughter when Dawn Henderson came on stage in her ridiculous attire as Mrs. Hawkins. Later in the play the auditorium again rang with laughter when Ray Rhoades entered impersonating a woman. This was so well done that many of the students wondered who the new girl was.

Mrs. Irene Beard coached the ambitious and talented members of the cast. After the evening performance the cast presented Mrs. Beard with a bouquet of red roses to express their appreciation for her expert direction and patience.

Other juniors in the cast were Miriam Mears, Mary Jane Kastner, Katie Baird, Nancy Tosh, Mary Jane Bennett, Barbara Carmichael, Robert Hollen, Donald Krider, Dean Caldwell, James Dickert, and Wayne Hepner.

CHEERLEADERS displayed vim, vigor, and vitality

All set, you bet! are the favorite words of the Laurel Valley Joint High School cheering squad who led the student body in echoing cheers and promoted a respectable sports enthusiasm among the fans of the Rams throughout the school year.

During the year the varsity cheerleaders welcomed Barbara Shingler, Katie Baird, Yvonne Klodell, and Elaine Peer into the squad. Carol Sharp was elected substitute. In no time at all, these girls had mastered the intricate techniques for leading cheers.

Two captains, Bonnie Spory and JoAnn Wynn, led the cheerleaders this season. Thses two girls also carried the banner for the football games, the homecoming parade at Indiana State Teachers College, and the Halloween Parade in Johnstown, where the Laurel Valley Band won second prize. As the senior cheerleaders complete this final year, the memories of many nights spent cheering on the gridiron and the basketball court will always remain in their hearts

ROW ONE: (Left to Right) B. Spory, J. Wynn, M. Kastner, E. Peer. ROW TWO: K. Baird, K. Sharp, B. Shingler, Y. Klodell.

Mrs. Gamble and Mrs. Harris helped the cheerleaders to make a very attractive appearance at assemblies and games. The white and green uniforms were kept in top-notch condition and the girls always looked lovely.

LEFT TO RIGHT: Mrs. Gamble and Mrs. Harris.

All here--Let's cheer was the fitting introduction of the junior high cheerleaders. With the help of Mrs. Gamble, the sponsor of the squad, the youthful leaders prepared for the basketball season.

Two new members joined the squad this year. They were Darlene McDermott and Susan Fox. Both girls are in the seventh grade.

The junior high squad consists of six members. These peppy cheerleaders aroused the spirit of their teams for victories at junior high and junior varsity basketball games.

ROW ONE: (Left to Right) T. Doyle, S. Treasure, S. Peters. ROW TWO: S. Cavanaugh, C. Shetler, B. Wynn. ABSENTEES: S. Fox and D. McDermott.

PHOTOS depict student life

Students and faculty enjoyed a hearty lunch prepared by the cafeteria staff.

Boys! Watch those girls! They may be looking for a date for the prom.

Standing on the corner watching all the girls go by.

What makes Joey so appealing to the sophomore girls?

The first year typing class works hard and long to better their skill so they may take second year typing as juniors.

All Sports Club

The All Sports Club is an organization for boys of the seventh and eighth grades.

The purpose of this club is to interest boys in the three sports played at Laurel Valley. This club was designed so that the members would learn some of the rules and fundamentals of basketball, baseball, and football. Mr. Pudliner, the club sponsor, has been giving chalk talks on the rules. Fundamentals will be stressed later when weather permits. The club will try to get films from the University of Pittsburgh and the Pittsburgh Pirates on the three sports. Sportsmanship is also stressed.

The following students were elected as officers:

President ..... Daryl Pendexter
Vice-president ..... George Spinelli
Secretary ..... Wayne Shank
Treasurer ..... Charles Hropovich

ROW ONE: F. Fabrizio, D. Pendexter, D. Rhoades, J. Mied, K. Stiffey, T. Shank, Mr. Pudliner. ROW TWO: P. Roby, C. Cable, J. Stutzman, R. Jackson, W. Wakefield, S. Dubics, R. Decker. ROW THREE: G. Spinelli, D. Rolling, R. Jackson, M. Muir, R. Walker, V. Ciotti. ROW FOUR: D. Heming, W. Shank, C. Hropovich, M. Stercho, T. Ritenour, W. Dick, W. Moore.

Art Club

ROW ONE: J. Schrock, S. Boring, D. Hutchko, S. Grillo, S. LaMantia, M. Grillo, A. Hutchko, B. Carmichael. ROW TWO: W. Nixon, K. Bobko, J. Hughes, D. Robinson, R. Henderson, K. Sharp, C. Sharp, W. Rolling, S. Beal. ROW THREE: B. Glacken, E. Fox, R. Stiles, Carmichael, E. Chesla, J. Mied, J. Bobko, R. Gennaro. ROW FOUR: W. Hill, W. Shingler, T. Henderson, B. Altemus, R. Jackson, J. DeWitt, R. Grillo.

On November 6, 1958, the Art Club was organized and sponsored by Mr. Stewart. The 33 members meet once a month. One of their aims is to study the origin of art and pottery. The members made a list of some of the activities they would like to undertake throughout the year.

Some of the suggestions were to obtain a film from Indiana State Teachers College on "The History of Art and Modern Art." Among the other suggestions were to master techniques of clay modeling, sketching, and oil painting. The members also agreed to form groups to make basketball, football, and various other kinds of posters to advertise the activities at Laurel Valley.

The club officers are as follows:

President ..... Ralph Henderson
Vice-president .....Timothy Henderson
Secretary-Treasurer .....Edward Chesla

Career Club

SEATED: C. Ewt, K. Clawson, E. Peer, L. Kinzey, D. Henderson, M. Mears. STANDING: S. Bodinsky. J. Trimble, M. Magnani, J. Bucceri, Mrs. Rosen.

Butcher, baker, or candlestick maker? What will your profession be? Are you, like most high school students, a little confused as to what path to take? The purpose of the Career Club is to help high school students come to some decision regarding a career. What jobs are open to inexperienced workers and what training is offered for such jobs are questions to which the Career Club members are seeking answers.

The advantages of taking some training beyond high school have been discussed. Some of the members have undertaken a study of opportunities in technical school education; others are learning about schools of nursing. Still others are reading college catalogues and talking with college admission officers.

The Career Club members, under the guidance of Mrs. Rosen, are working on a way of sharing their information with the entire student body.

Club officers are as follows:

President ..... Marjorie Magnani
Vice-President ..... Joseph Bucceri
Secretary-Treasurer ..... Lynette Kinzey

Social Dancing Club

ROW ONE: M. Wagner, R. Glessner, G. Buckles, K. Johnson, L. Boring, C. Ciotti, L. Bartholomew, E. Charles, S. Fox, Mrs. Gamble. ROW TWO: L. Burkett, S. Hill, B. Wynn, J. Bernabo, C. Parsha, B. Craig, R. Glacken, B. Baird, S. Baird, L. St. Clair, J. Henderson, R. Merritt. ROW THREE: I. Garland, R. Roby, M. Charles, C. Hood, S. Treasure, N. Ritenour, J. Luther, W. Freidman, G. Kisamore, B. McMaster, D. Deyarmin, R. Horvath. ROW FOUR: D. Leary, J. Gehring, H. Yeager, G. DeWeese, C. Peer, K. Hughes, M. Johns, D. Allshouse, L. Busch, L. Caldwell. ROW FIVE: J. Toth, F. Baird, D. Caldwell, D. Winebrenner, G. Beard, R. Robson, D. Horvath, D. DeWitt, K. Gray, J. McLaughlin, M. Shellhammer.

The Social Dancing Club was formed primarily for the Junior High School boys and girls to introduce them to several of the basic steps in dancing. Under the guidance and direction of Mrs. Gamble, the seventy boys and girls are learning the slow dance, jitterbug, and several of the other popular dances which will be selected later by the group. Assistants to Mrs. Gamble are Laura Burkett, Maryann Wagner, Richard Merritt, and Ray Horvath who are in charge of providing the records, suggesting new steps or variations, and giving instructions as the students practice the steps to gain more self-confidence and assurance while learning to dance. These young teen-agers are looking forward to attending the school dances.

Drama Club

The Drama Club's purpose is to give an opportunity for self-expression through dramatic art. Each member is required to perform a short skit as an initiation.

The club presented a short play in an assembly this year and expect to give similar performances next year.

Because shows given by the Drama Club were not for the purpose of raising money for any specific reason, it is hoped that various types of staging can be experimented with. They also hope to give several types of plays and not limit the club productions to the farces and light comedies commonly seen in school shows. Mr. Galbreath is the capable sponsor of the Drama Club.

ROW ONE: M. Regula, K. Rummel, B. Trimble, C. Henderson, E. Jarvis, D. Heming, C. Rensko, B. Shank, Mr. Galbreath. ROW TWO: M. Schweppe, C. Robb, H. LaMantia, B. Kot, C. Banko, E. Banko, J. Carmichael. ROW THREE: J. Stormer, D. Mabon, Y. Klodell, I. Greacher, J. Riddell J. Colson, J. Stiffey, J. Wynn.

First Aid Club

LEFT TO RIGHT: G. McGarvey, Mr. Howard, C. Visalli. ON MAT: W. Felton.

The object of this club is to master the fundamentals of emergency care and treatment. First aid is the immediate and temporary care given the victim of an accident or sudden illness until the services of a physican can be obtained. It may mean the difference between life or death. In every case, proper first aid reduces suffering and makes the physican's task easier when he assumes the care of the patient. The responsibilities of the first aider stop when the physican's begin. First aid tells what to do until the doctor comes. The need for first aid training is plainly evident in everyday life.

The club consists of four members guided by Mr. Howard. The officers are as follows:

President ..... Clifford Visalli
Vice-president ..... Gerald McGarvey
Secretary ..... Charles Banko
Treasurer ..... William Felton

Future Homemakers of America

ROW ONE: D. Revie, S. Yeager, C. Wynn, B. Buckles, I. Rolley, V. Toth, D. Bouch, E. Fletcher, Mrs. Harris. ROW TWO: P. Simpson, G. Thomas, R. Garland, M. Yeager, F. Cummings, W. Shank, S. Kruk, S. Baird, P. Howard. ROW THREE: K. Ludwig, K. McKinney, S. Strayer, N. Stiffey, R. Crusan, H. Hill, D. Henderson, J. Foster.

The Future Homemakers of America is a National organization having as its goal the improvement of personal, family, and community life. The members must be graduates of Homemaking schools or enrolled in Homemaking classes.

The F. H. A. brings together state groups interested in and working toward better home and family living, provides opportunities to share in solving problems important to home life, and sponsors group projects, local, state, and national in scope. The club increases opportunities for the development of leadership so much needed in a democratic society.

The F. H. A., an incorporated, non-profit youth organization, came into being through the cooperative efforts of youth enrolled in homemaking secondary schools who wish to develop social qualities and promote better home life for themselves and their families.

Glee Club

ROW ONE: N. Cable, S. Roby, M. Gamble, S. Cable, L. Sheriff, Mr. Hall. ROW TWO: D. Graff, N. Robson, D. Shellhammer, B. Spory. ROW THREE: W. Reitler, S. Sharp, J. Luther, E. McCreery, D. Shirey.

The Glee Club is not just a singing group because one of its main objectives is to listen to and compare other vocal groups heard on records, the radio, and television. Through listening such values as expression, musical arrangements, and special effects can be learned and applied.

Another objective is to study, sing, and interpret different types of music such as spirituals, folk songs, and religious and popular music.

The final and, perhaps, the most important goal of the club is personal expression through music. Those who enjoy singing are found in this organization. Mr. Hall, its director, has given encouragement to these aspiring singers.

During the first meeting the Glee Club elected the following officers:

President ..... Bonnie Spory
Vice-president ..... Sharon Sharp
Secretary ..... Wilma Jeanne Reitler

History Club

The History Club consists of nine members and their sponsor, Mr. Klaum. The meetings are held once a month. The members do not pay dues, for their purpose is to learn historical facts.

The members decided upon two activities. During the meetings they enjoyed a series of film strips dealing with the history of our country. The second activity of the club was to place drawings related to current happenings or historical events on a reserved chalk board in Room 8. The first such illustration was dedicated to Boy Scout Week. Others followed.

The club officers are as follows:

President ..... Irvin Tantlinger
Vice-President ..... Carl Swank
Secretary ..... Janet Queer
Treasurer ..... Joseph Walls

ROW ONE: Mr. Klaum T. Marolt, C. Swank, J. Walls, J. Queer. STANDING ON STEPS: D. Fritz, P. Petrosky, D. Hull

Library Club

SITTING: W. Burkett, J. Bennett. STANDING: G. Stiffey, D. Bottegal, Mrs. Haire.

Performing an invaluable service to the student body and the faculty are the members of the Library Club. Theirs is voluntary work for which they receive little recognition. Among the duties performed by this group are shelving of the books, processing of new books, and mending the old books. The hardest job is putting in the cards for all the new books and also checking to see the old ones have cards and card holders.

The Library Club, sponsored by Mrs. Haire, consists of five boys who meet in the library every month.

The officers are as follows:

President .....George Stiffey
Vice-President ..... James Bennett

Photography Club

ROW ONE: B. Benito, L. Magnani, L. McGraw, N. Bartow, J. Corvi, M. Kastner, L. Caldwell, Miss Salerno. ROW TWO: L. Longenecker, J. LaMantia, B. Henderson, R. Kerr, E. Henderson, J. Peters, L. Henderson. ROW THREE: W. Cunningham, R. Fry, M. Collins, C. Bennett, S. Mears, M. Henderson, J. Bobko, H. Garland. ROW FOUR: C. Baird, V. Sharp, R. Glacken K. Harford, R. Baird, J. LaMantia, B. Austin.

If you're a member of the "great majority" of picture-takers who click the shutter and then leave the rest of the work (and most of the fun) for someone else, you should become a member of the Photography Club.

Members of the club take pictures and then on meeting days develop the negatives. Due to the shortage of time, the pictures aren't printed on the paper until the next club meeting.

Miss Salerno is the club sponsor. Its membership totals thirty students, twenty girls and ten boys. Each member paid 50¢ to buy the equipment that was needed.

The following are the officers of the club:

President ..... Bonnie Austin
Vice-President ..... Joseph LaMantia
Secretary ..... Josephine LaMantia
Treasurer ..... Kathleen Harford

Science Club

ROW ONE: R. Smyder, T. Super, F. Golis, L. Whyte, M. Schweppe, J. Mied, R. Jones, Mr. Riley. ROW TWO: O. Saunders, H. Clark, W. Dunmire, E. Boske, J. Walker, G. Dunmire, R. Miller, J. Henderson. ROW THREE: L. Long, S. Moore, R. Cummings, R. Shank, T. Bottegal, R. Freidhoff, E. Oswalt.

The purpose of the Science Club is to interest students in the various fields of science. As the year progressed, club members were shown how they could take their places in life as future chemists, physicists, or technicians. Certain demonstration illustrated some of the workings of chemistry and biology, that could not be accomplished in the class room. Students were shown that science can be an interesting study and that someday it may be their way of life. Curriculum and textbooks were discussed to point out the good and bad points of each, which may lead to a better science program in the very near future.

Officers are as follows:

President ..... Thomas Super
Vice-President..... John Henderson
Secretary-Treasurer ..... James Mied

Los Amigos

With wide-spread communication and extensive travel the world is growing smaller. Now people have a greater need for the knowledge of another language.

The Spanish Club, Los Amigos (meaning the friends), has been organized for seventh and eighth grade pupils who are interested in learning another language. Under the guidance of Miss Nichols, their sponsor, these boys and girls are able to have simple conversation in Spanish. They have learned greetings and farewells, weather expressions, the numbers, and names of fruits and vegetables.

Through records, pictures, and discussion they have developed an appreciation of another way of life.

The officers of Los Amigos are as follows:

President ..... George Flickinger
Vice-president ..... James Robson
Secretary-Treasurer.... Robert Tantlinger

ROW ONE: B. Toth, K. Bottegal, D. Ferri, R. Sisitki, C. Neiport, G. Flickinger, R. Howard. J. Garland, Miss Nichols. ROW TWO: B. Mundorff, T. Garland, T. Fulcomer, C. Shetler, S. Cavanaugh, L. Wagner, B. Williams, B. Garland, D. Cummings. ROW THREE: D. Shetler, J. Robson, J. Sisitki, C. Bucceri, C. Dennison, A. Garland, R. Stiffey, C. DeWitt. ROW FOUR: R. Heming, L. Hite, J. Gibson, M. Howard, T. Marsh, K. Garland, C. Bouch, F. Flickinger, O. Hurt.

Swing Band

ROW ONE: G. Wakefield, B. Edmiston, C. Robinson, G. Haire, R. Rhoades, M. Yeager. ROW TWO: A. Lohr, P. Mundorff, D. Wagner, D. Doyle, R. Bernabo. STANDING: R. Hollen, J. Cook, J. Neiport, Mr. Gorirossi.

The fourteen members in Swing Band are as follows:

Saxophones:	(Altos) Benny Edmiston and Gary Wakefield (Tenors) Charles Robinson and Mr. Gorirossi (Baritone Saxophone) George Haire
Trumpets:	Paul Mundorff, Arville Lohr, Dennis Doyle, Daryl Wagner, and Ralph Bernabo
Trombones:	Robert Hollen and Joseph Cook
Guitar:	Margaret Yeager
Piano:	Jane Neiport

The Swing Band was organized this year to provide an opportunity for its members to use their creative abilities. The members practice during club periods and after school. Their aim is to play for school dances and assemblies. The value of this club can be appreciated when the sweet floating tones reach the ears of their listeners. Some of their favorite arrangements include "Autumn Leaves," "You Made Me Love You," "While We're Young," and "Dream a Little Dream of Me."

These members also belong to other extracurricular activities such as marching band concert band, and other small ensembles that provide music for Christmas programs, Junior and Spring plays, and various other community functions.

Travel Club

ROW ONE: M. Kelly, L. Henderson, C. Lepsch, J. Vrable, E. Krider, C. Yeager, H. Trimble, F. Tomb, H. Muir, T. Brown, Mrs. Beard. ROW TWO: K. Baird, R. Moore, W. McClure, R. Goodlin, D. McDowell, R. Spory, D. Ray, C. Clark, R. Sheriff, R. Greacher. ROW THREE: J. Bobko, M. Henderson, E. Meyer, R. Lear, G. Martin, W. Hoover, A. Edwards, O. Wagner, W. Burkett, P. Fry. ROW FOUR: R. Henderson, J. Carmichael, J. Dickert, K. Lynch, D. Gamble, R. Baldwin, C. Bailey, T. Langham, J. Beal. ROW FIVE: R. Collins, J. Burkett, S. Yeager, W. Shingler, J. Miller, L. Fox, J. Marsh, J. Mitchell, G. Henderson, S. Payne.

And we're off again! Off on another vicarious journey to some intersting spot on this wide world of ours. Journeying everywhere from Calcutta to Ottawa and watching natives and travellers doing everything from drinking the choicest of Armenian wines in Moscow to eating peanut butter sandwiches beneath the Eiffel Tower have been interesting experiences enjoyed via the movie camera. Yes, these are just a few of the many thrills encountered in the Travel Club.

Working on the principle that the better understanding of other people, their customs, food, and beliefs is the key toward peace, the Travel Club is trying to promote this idea through the aid of pictures and movies and by sharing our own travel experiences.

Since some means of transportation is necessary for travel, part of our time has been spent deliberating the best modes of transportation. Mrs. Irene L. Beard is the sponsor.

The officers are as follows:

President ..... Richard Collins
Vice-president ..... David Gamble
Secretary ..... John Miller
Treasurer ..... Helen Muir

Tri-Hi-Y Club

It is always a challenge in education to impart to students a proper sense of values. Every opportunity must be utilized to accomplish the end. This is the main reason for encouraging the development of a strong, active Tri-Hi-Y program. Many worthwhile benefits can be derived from this.

The use of TEEN TALK fills many of the needs of youth. An advantage of Tri-Hi-Y is that it attempts to teach teen-agers how to get along with people and to develop a concern for their fellowman. Since the organization is a state and nationally affiliated one, many of their activities are prescribed by the state office. Tri stands for the threefold purpose of the Y. M. C. A.; Hi is exemplified by high school girls; and Y shows affiliation with the Y. M. C. A. The colors of the group are Red, White, and Blue exemplifying Sacrifice, Purity, and Loyalty. Mrs. Elnora Chisnell is TRI-HI-Y sponsor.

The officers are as follows:

President ..... Sally Jones
Vice-president ..... Norma Kells
Secretary ..... Barbara Shingler
Treasurer ..... Elaine Burkett

ROW ONE: D. Mack, R. Bucceri, E. Burkett, G. Beard N Kisamore, B. McDermott, Mrs. Chisnell. ROW TWO: N. Ambrose, D. Boring, C. Chornick. S. Jones, B. Shingler, N. Kells.

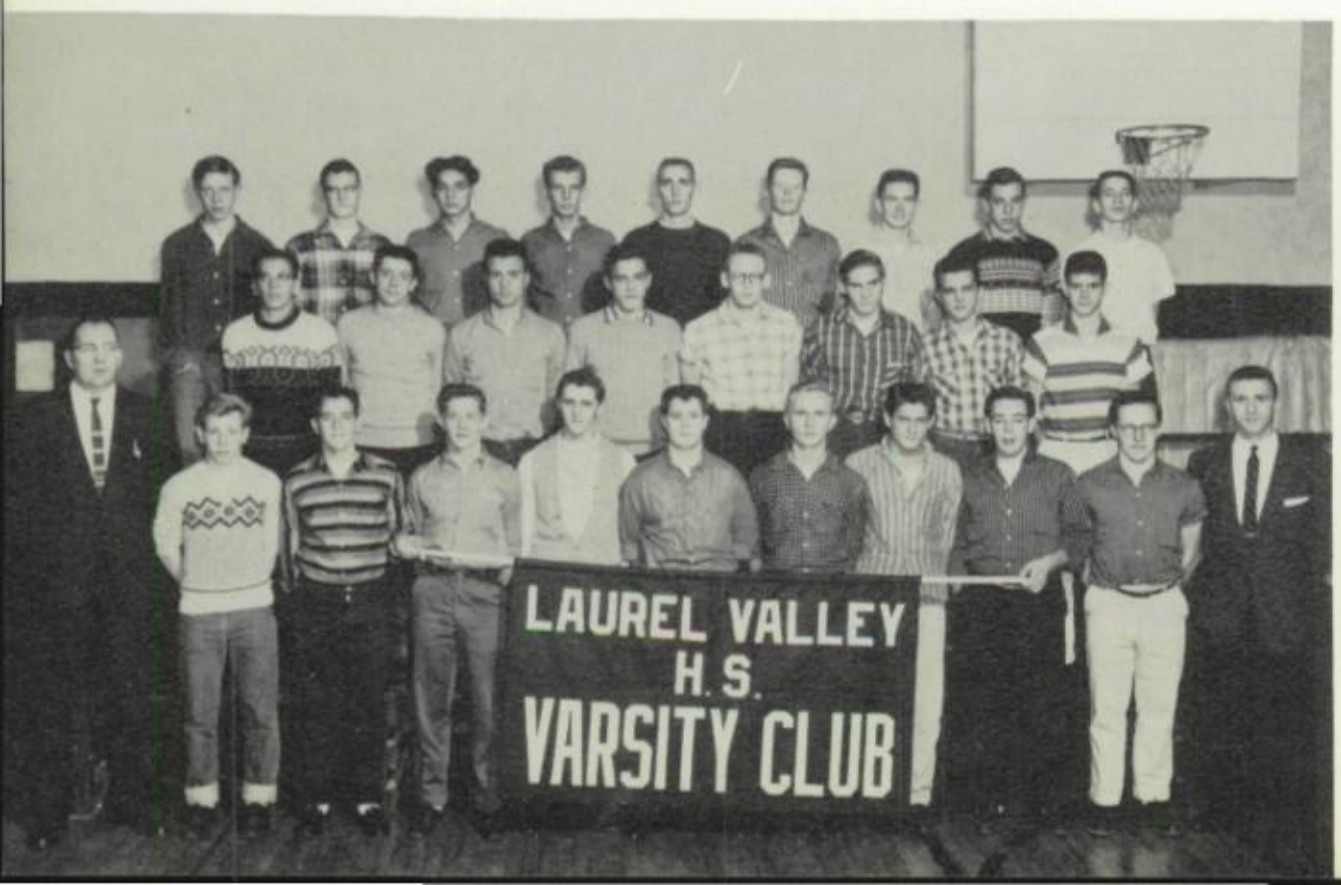
Personal Typing Club

The purpose of the Personal Typing Club is to enable non-commercial students to learn the technique of touch typing. Because of the limited time, the students are learning the keyboard by touch and the setting up of manuscript writing. Although the club meets only once a month, these students have the opportunity to use the typewriters during their study periods. Each student can progress at his own rate and learn to type well enough for his personal use. This is especially helpful to those students who are taking the academic course and want to type. This year the club has 29 members who are hoping that by the end of the year they'll be typing expertly. Mrs. Mildred Mabon is the sponsor.

ROW ONE: G. Shetler, J. Miller, B. Short, S. Toth, J. Sellers, T. Zucco, B. Rolley, D. McCauley, Mrs. Mabon. ROW TWO: B. Shingler, B. Oswalt, S. Mundorff, D. Baird, C. Wittler, L. Thompson, M. Trusz, E. Moore, B. Gehring. ROW THREE: C. Beal, J. Wallace, N. Mroczka, K. Baird, S. Sanders, C. Ray, N. Tosh, N. Baird.

Varsity Club

ROW ONE: Mr. Dohoda, A. Kisamore, R. Goodlin, W. Hepner, R. Merritt, H. Treasure, P. Peters, G. Garland, C. Guaetta, S. Clark, Mr. Pesci. ROW TWO: J. Trusz, L. Saltarelli, R. Stiles, F. Henderson, J. Meyer, H. Smyder, R. Love, R. Warfel. ROW THREE: C. Gibson, A. Warfel, J. Zaragoza, L. Trexler, R. Hedges, C. Hurt, R. Brown, P. DeWitt, J. Parsha.



The Varsity Club consists of only the athletes who have lettered in previous years. Any boy who has earned one or more letters in any sport is eligible to join the club. The Varsity Club is responsible for handling the programs at football games. The organization also sells candy and pop at all the home basketball games. The money earned is added to the Varsity Club fund which is used to purchase jackets for the senior athletes. The Varsity Club presents two awards at the end of the year. One award goes to the outstanding senior athlete and the other to the player who showed the best sportsmanship.

The Varsity Club is sponsored by the coaches: Mr. Pesci, Mr. Dohoda, and Mr. Pahach. The officers elected by the members on November 6 are as follows:

President ..... James Meyer
Vice-President ..... Robert Brown
Secretary ..... Arthur Warfel
Treasurer ..... Wayne Hepner
Sergeant-at-Arms ..... Ralph Hedges

MR. FRANK GIBSON readily rendered his services

MR. FRANK GIBSON, school custodian.

Mr. Gibson, the busy and kind person who keeps the building in top condition, has been custodian for many years and during that time he has performed invaluable services for both students and teachers. For his patient endurance of our foolish whims, his ready praise for our worthier endeavors, and his willing loan of priceless experience, Frank will always be high on our list of wonderful people.

His various duties include firing the boilers, keeping our gym floor in condition, cleaning the building, helping each junior class decorate for the prom, and aiding the student individually with his friendly advice. Many of us listen while Frank "reminds" us of what we should do. "No books are to be left in the halls, gym cases are to be taken home, paper is to be deposited in the waste baskets, and chewing gum is never to be brought to school." Kindness, sincerity, and friendliness are the qualities of our man, Frank. By readily rendering his services all Laurel Valley activities go off on schedule and in "tip top" order. Frank is surely a person Laurel Valley would be lost without.

COOKS toiled to prepare our lunches

Sniff! Sniff! What's cooking? Appetizing odors drifting through the building announce that delicious foods are being prepared in the kitchen for lunch. Hungry students eagerly await the fifth and sixth periods, for during those two periods the student body eats lunch.

All the praise for the delicious meals we eat everyday in the cafeteria belongs to our three cooks. Mrs. Clara Mae Galbraith is the head cook; she prepares the menus and is in charge of the cafeteria. Her two assistants are Mrs. Mary Burkett and Mrs. Nicholina Gregorich.

LEFT TO RIGHT: Mrs. Nicholina Gregorich, Mrs. Mary Burkett, Mrs. Clara Mae Galbraith - Cafeteria Staff.

ATTENDANCE DIRECTOR recorded daily absences

Each morning at 8:20 Miss Cunningham can be found in room 15 to discuss the cause of absence with the absentees. She is always there on the job and keeps a careful record of the excused and unexcused absences of every student. This is an important and tiring job, but Miss Cunningham never fails to come through smiling.

Attendance Director - Miss Alice Cunningham

SCHOOL NURSE relieved many an ache and pain

School Nurse - Miss Rebecca McKinney

When anyone is sick, the first person he thinks of is Miss McKinney, who can be found in Room 15. She is eager to help anyone who is not feeling well and always has an encouraging word for those suffering from headaches, toothaches, stomach aches, and just plain classroom aches.

Though the junior and senior high students keep her busy, she visits the grade schools of Seward, New Florence, and Fairfield Township at least once a week. She also directs the dental and physical examinations conducted each year.

Miss McKinney is appreciated by the student body not only because of her excellent work but also because of her friendly personality and warm smile.

Delivered daily the latest news BULLETIN WORKERS

FRONT TO BACK: V. Sharp, E. Henderson, B. Benito, B. Henderson, J. Wynn.

Twice a day the students welcome the sight of one of the nine senior commercial girls delivering the bulletin. The daily routine of a bulletin worker consists of going to the rooms and collecting the absentee lists, typing an alphabetic list of the absentees for the records, typing a master, typing the announcements, having the work checked in the office, running off 30 copies, getting a check list from the office, and finally delivering the bulletin to the teachers to be read to students. These girls deserve a lot of credit for the work they do, but they enjoy the practice which it gives them.

FRONT TO BACK: M. Wagner, J. Peters, L. Burkett, L. Longenecker, J. LaManita.

The commercial girls' work is not all just typing and shorthand. They must type tests, run tests off, draw pictures on stencils and run many copies off, clean the machines, master the operation of the calculator, learn to type on the electric typewriter, acquire a knowledge of the chores of many different types of offices through their office practice sets, and take filing for six weeks. They also kept the small back room in top-notch condition. Although this work may sound tedious, long, and hard, the girls enjoyed every minute of it because that is what they plan to do after graduation. Mrs. Mabon carefully supervised the work of these students and greatly broadened their interests in the business field.

CAFETERIA WORKERS have no moments to spare

These home room representatives collect the money to purchase tickets to eat in the cafeteria.

Rose Crusan and George Stiffey sell the cafeteria tickets to the home room representatives. Their job is often very difficult.

These girls assist the cooks with the cafeteria work.

Paul Petrosky and James Mied are Laurel Valley's milkmen.

George Stiffey and Sally Beal punch the lunch tickets.

Aroused keen competition MAGAZINE CAMPAIGN

KNEELING: C. Bucceri, K. Ludwig, N. Ambrose, L. Burkett, M. Wagner L. Longenecker, J. Sellers, S. Sharp, B. Rensko.
STANDING: B. Wynn, R. Horvath, L. Callihan, E. Burkett, S. Bodinsky, G. Spinelli, R. Bernabo, S. Boring, W. Dick, M. Trusz, D. Mack, C. Galbraith, C. DeWitt.

The results of the magazine campaign conducted at Laurel Valley Joint High School revealed that the student body worked very hard to reach their goal. Mrs. Elnora Chisnell, LAUREL Advisor, was the sponsor of the project. Linda Longenecker, Laura Burkett, and Maryann Wagner, seniors, were in charge of publicity operation and management. The campaign was conducted from September 8 through September 19. The object was to raise money for the LAUREL, the school's yearbook. The total sales amounted to $1,180.14 with the sale of 352 subscriptions.

Wayne Dick, seventh grade, was high salesman with total sales of $62.50. Carol DeWitt, eighth grade, was second with $48.25. Barbara Wynn, eighth grade, was third with $46.25. Wayne Dick and Carol DeWitt were presented with radios. Barbara Wynn was awarded $3 for third place. Bonnie Spory, room 18, won the traveling prize. Other students who received citations for their sales records were James Saunders, Joseph Riddell, Suzanne Cavanaugh, Sandra Treasure, George Spinelli, Thomas Brown, and Karen Johnson.

Room 6 was the high home room with sales of $261. 47, and they enjoyed an ice cream party on October 1. Room 7 came in second with sales of $156.37, and these students were given candy bars. Many students were awarded prizes under the point system.

The home room representatives were Larry Callihan, Barbara Rensko, Steve Bodinsky, Janet Sellers, Ralph Bernabo, Scottie Boring, George Spinelli, Marjorie Trusz, Kay Ludwig, Elaine Burkett, Donna Mack, Ray Horvath, Carol Galbraith, Sharon Sharp, Nettie Ambrose, and Cora Bucceri. The students of Laurel Valley Joint High appreciate the support given them by their communities and friends.

1958 PROM featured A "Hawaiian Holiday"

Laura shows her dance program to Earl and Hayes.

Maryann and Donna added glamor to the prom.

Elaine fills the punch cups for Carole and Hean

Marlene was crowned Queen of the Prom

The boys pause for refreshments

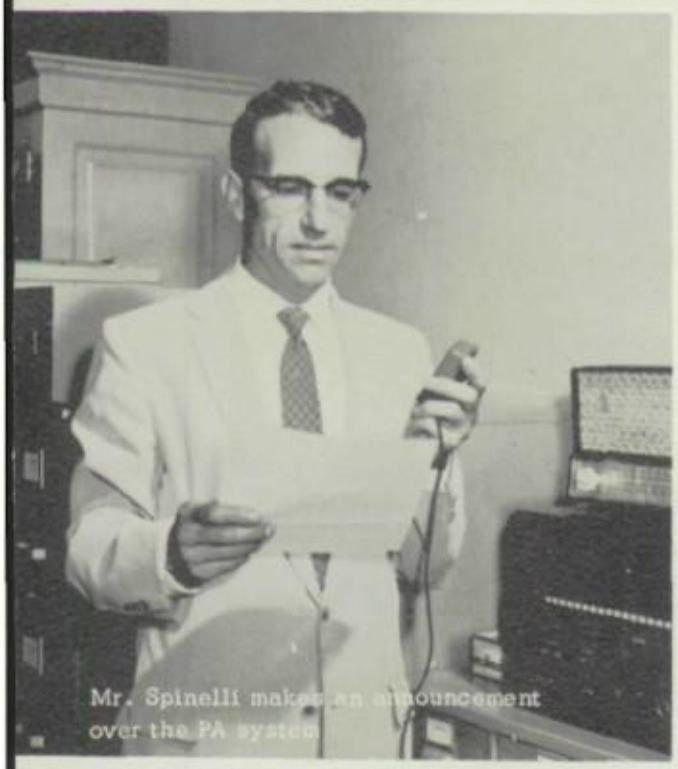
The dancers enjoyed music by "Red" Corle's orchestra.

Louise and Helen chat with their escorts

SNAPSHOTS capture moments to remember

These students represented L. V. at county band.

The concession workers fed the hungry football fans.



Mr. Spinelli makes an announcement over the PA system.

George Stiffey helped the photographer.

Mrs. Duncan was our substitute typist.

L. V. Fans cheer at the United game.

The car drivers got us to the game.

PHOTOS picture many phases of school life

Have pep. Will cheer. Yuk! Yuk! Yuk!

Talented musicians performed at many functions.

Ye editors sampled delicious blueberry cobbler.

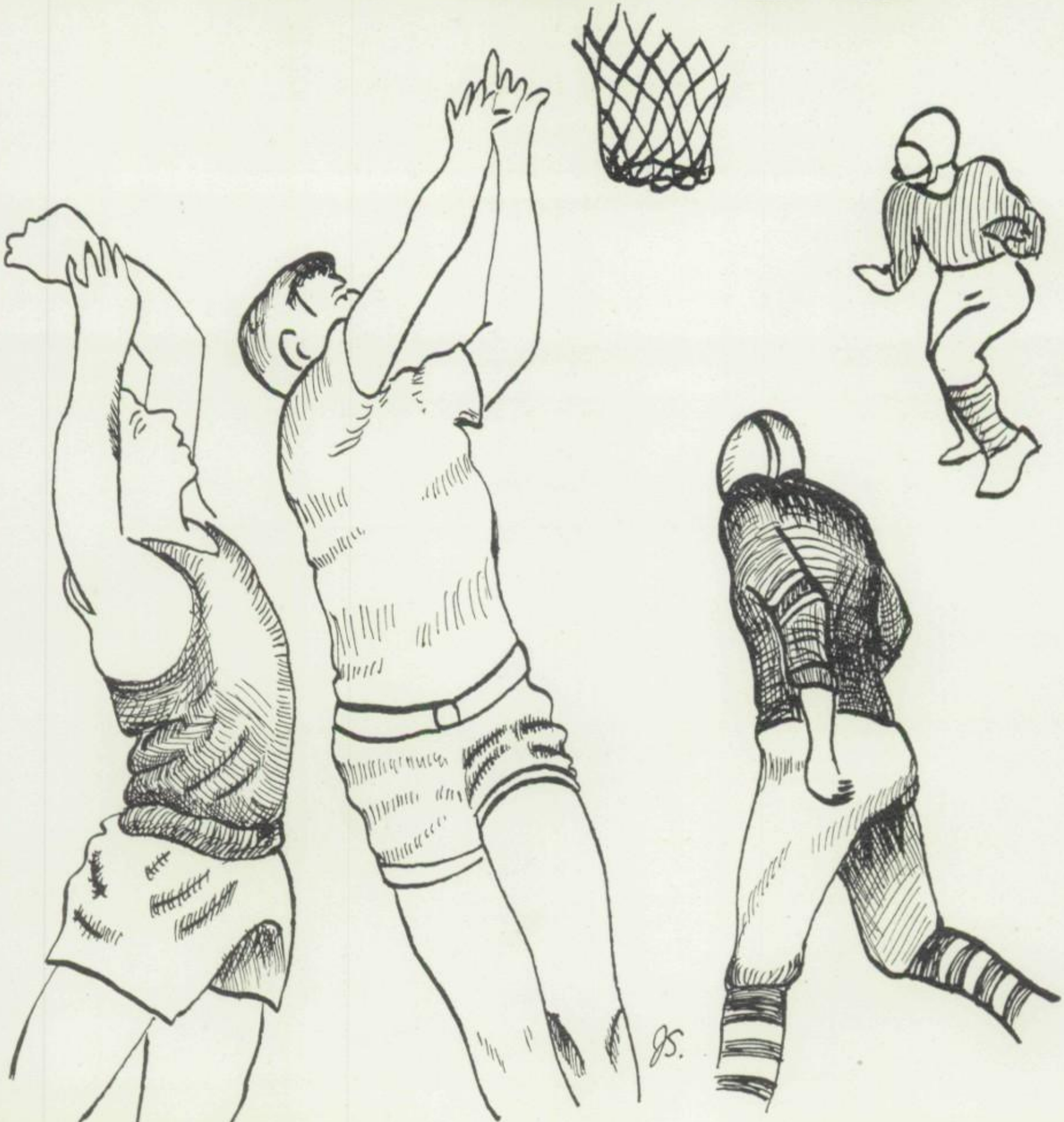
And away we go!

A pause that refreshes

High salesmen in the magazine campaign.

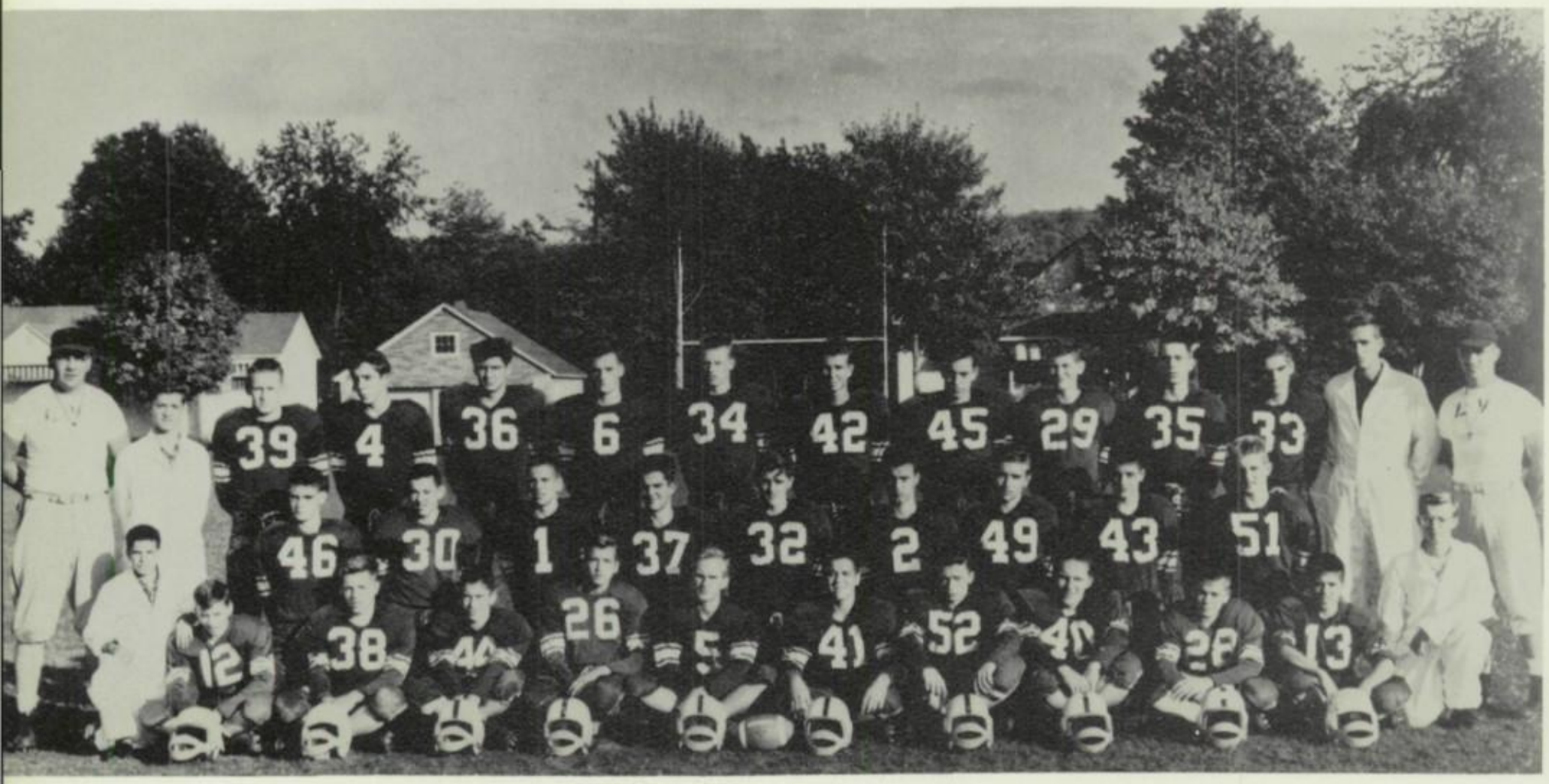
Ralph doesn't need a stepladder

Athletics



FOOTBALL

They came,



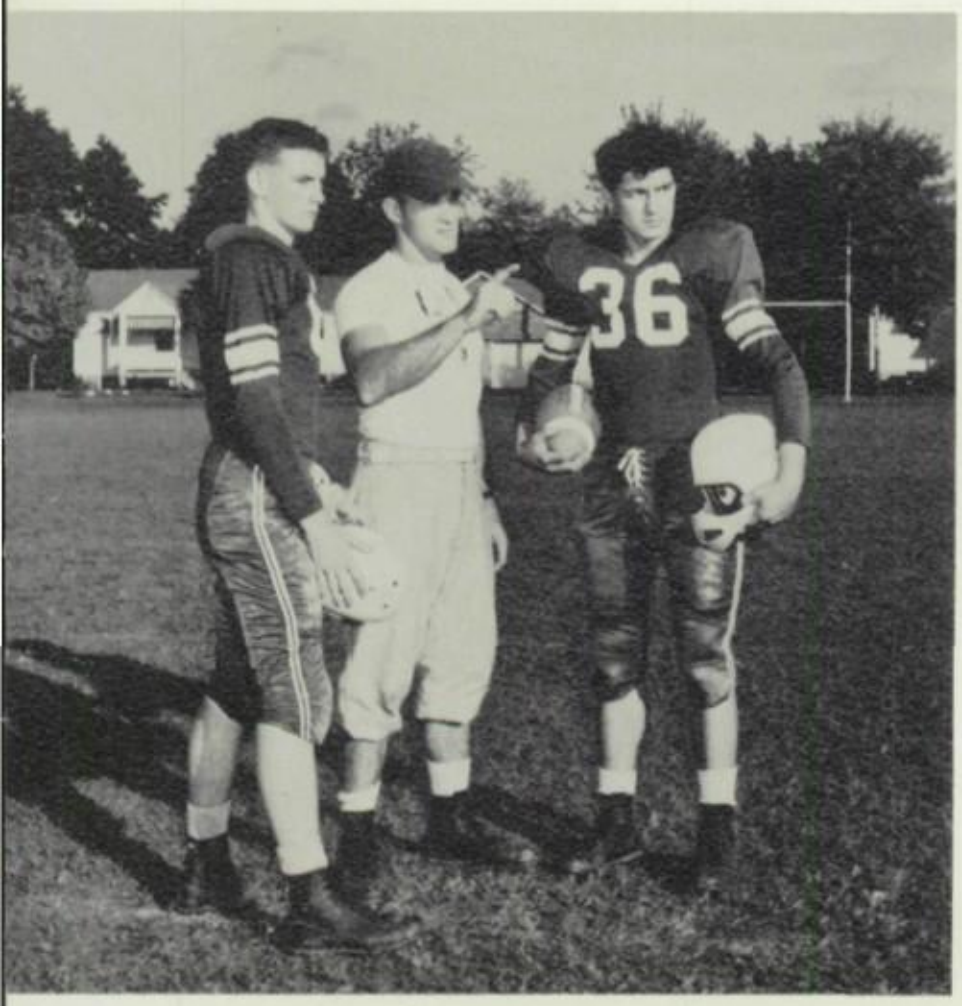
ROW ONE: D. Pendexter, T. Super, A. Kisamore, S. Mears, J. Gehring, P Peters, R. Goodlin, C. Clark, S. Clark, W. McClure, C. Swank, W. Cunningham. ROW TWO: R. Warfel, R. Fry, J. Trusz, R. Love, R. Merritt, R. Stiles, D. Horvath, L. Saltarelli, D. Robinson. ROW THREE: Mr. Dohoda, W. Hepner, J. Meyer, T. Craig, J. Zaragoza, A. Warfel, C. Hurt, L. Trexler, P. DeWitt, J. Mitchell, J. Parsha, H. Smyder, R. Hedges, Mr. Pesci.

The two men who built and piloted the Rams in the 1958 season were Mr. Everett Pesci, head coach, and his assistant, Mr. Stanley Dohoda. Mr. Pesci, a former resident of Blairsville, is a graduate of Indiana State Teachers College. He became the new head football coach when he replaced Mr. Chobany. Mr. Pesci won the respect of the team immediately. Mr. Dohoda, returning for his third year as assistant coach, helped Mr. Pesci and the team greatly.

The coaches, starting on the eighteenth of August, taught the team the basic fundamentals as well as the virtue of good, clean sportsmanship. The coaches were always willing to give assistance to any of their boys in need of help.

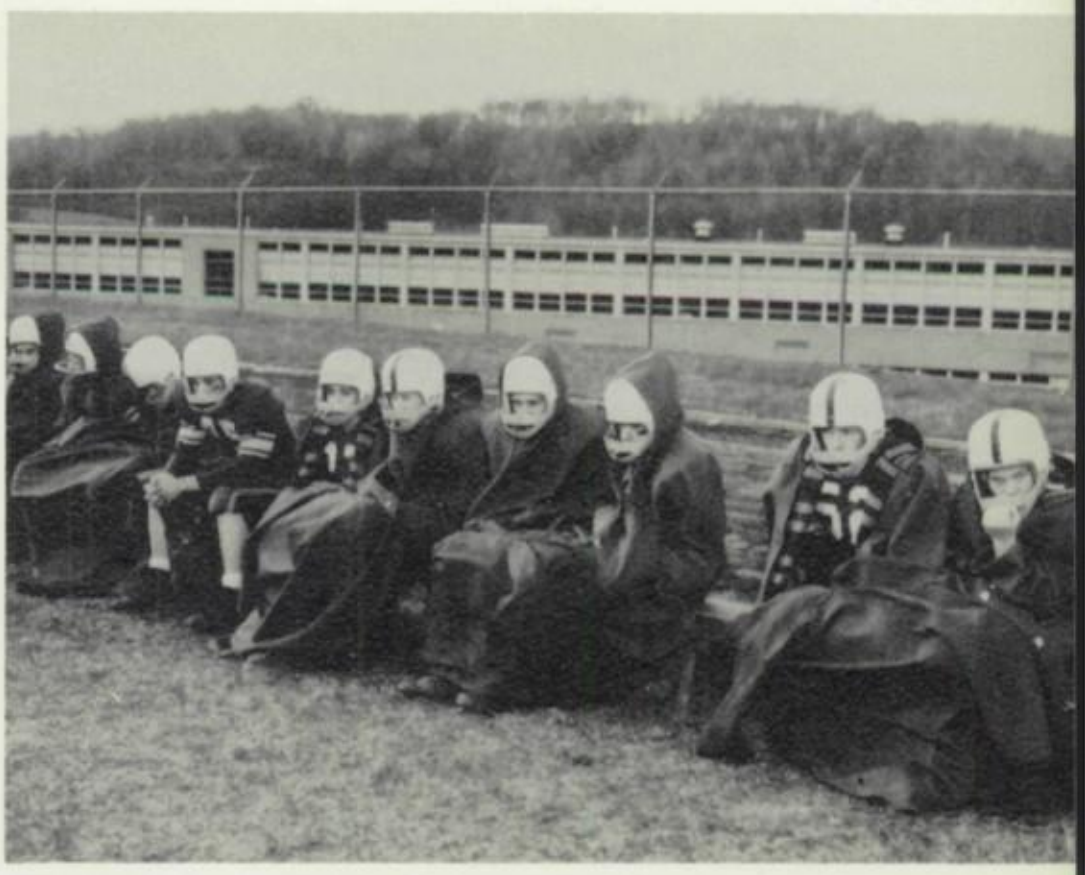
MR. PESCI - Head Coach; MR. DOHODA - Assistant Coach

they saw, we . . .



A. WARFEL, MR. PESCI, J. ZARAGOZA

Arthur Warfel and Joseph Zaragoza were elected by the members of the squad as co-captains for the 1958 season. Both Zaragoza and Warfel have played four years of varsity ball and each have lettered twice.



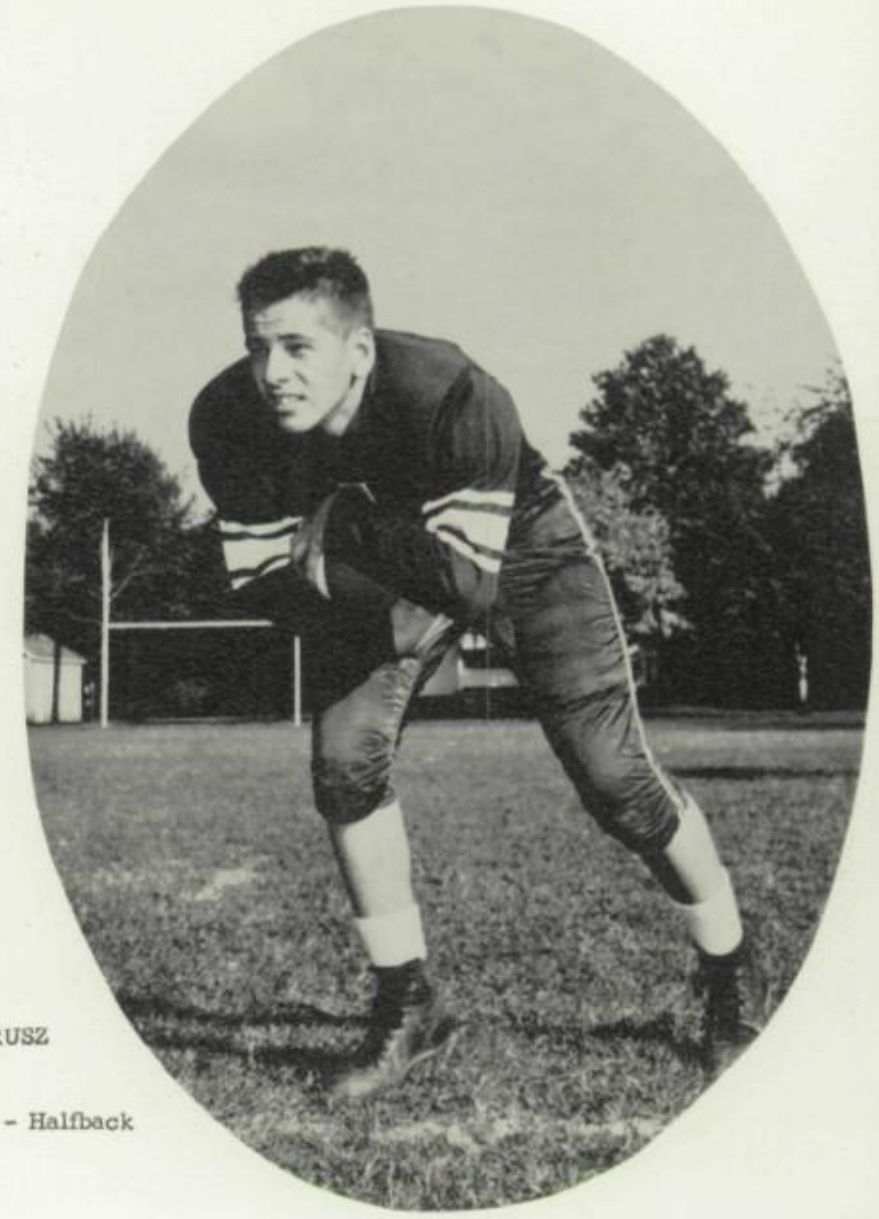
Seated on the bench at the varsity games you will find the Rams worthy reserves.

SITTING: D. Pendexter, C. Hropovich, R. Hedges, W. Cunningham. STANDING: W. Hepner, C. Guaetta.

The football managers are a vital part of the team. They are responsible for an orderly equipment room, clean shower room, and the care of the equipment. The managers care for the individual player. They treat the minor injury and issue the proper equipment to each player. They make sure the necessary equipment is taken to the game. They are also responsible for taking and keeping accurate statistics of each game. The senior managers of the 1958 season were Ralph Hedges and Carmen Guaetta.

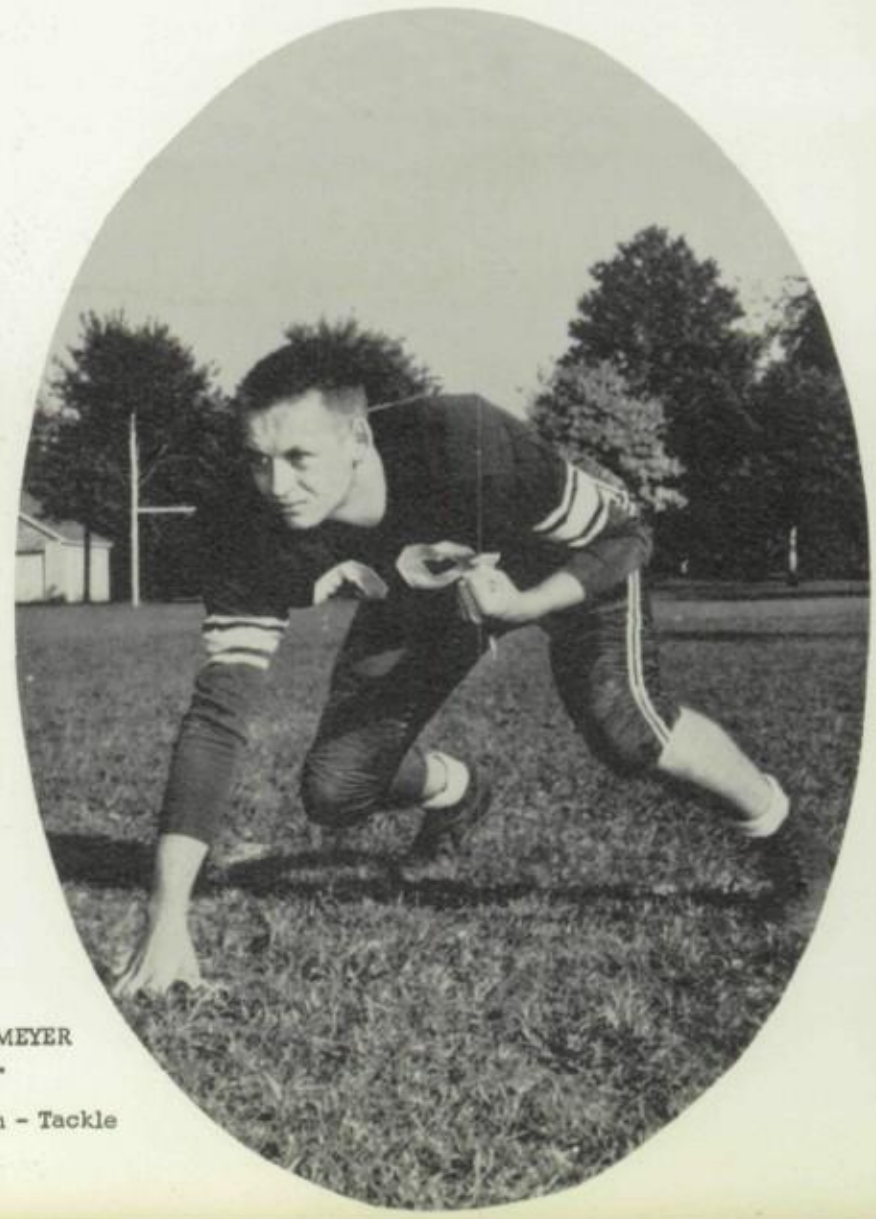
SENIOR RAMS won acclaim

JOSEPH ZARAGOZA
175 lbs.
6'
Position - Tackle



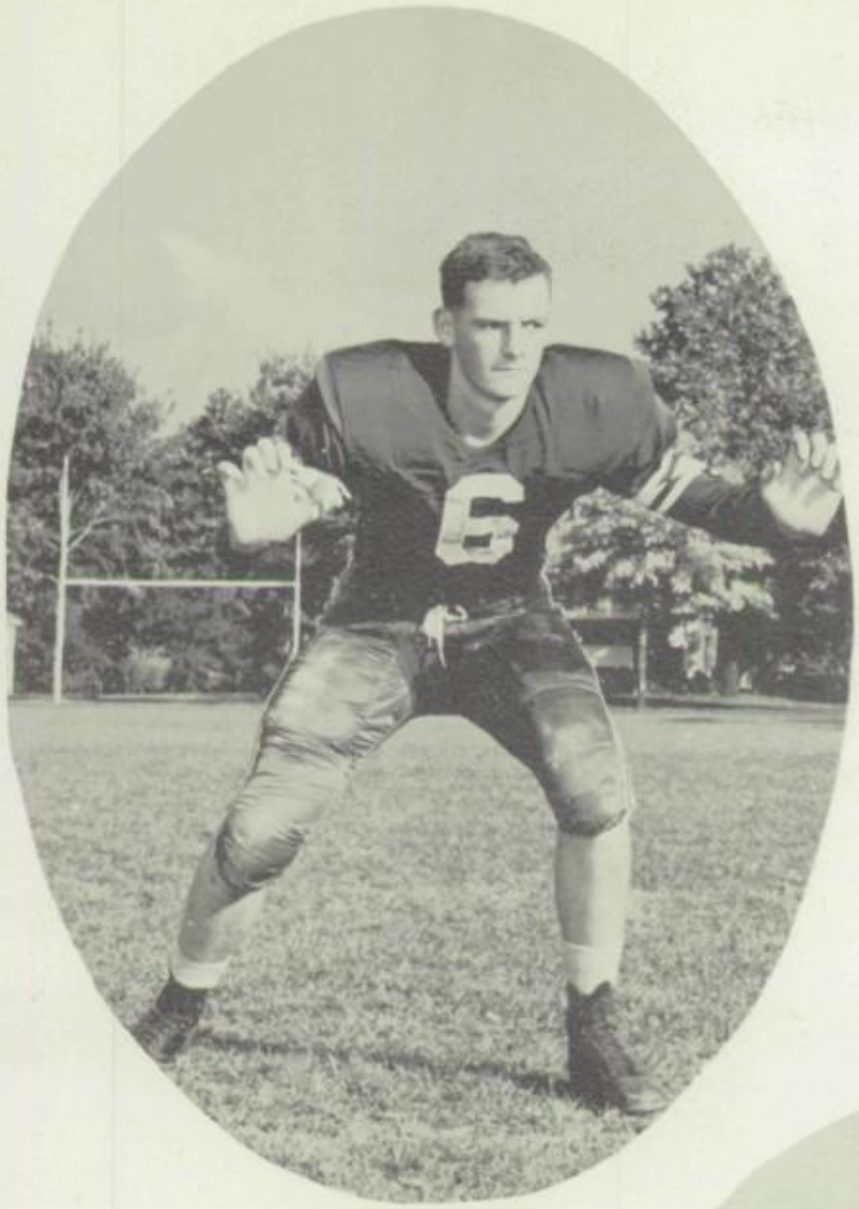
JOHN TRUSZ
135 lbs.
5' 10"
Position - Halfback

SAMUEL CLARK
160 lbs.
5' 6"
Position - Guard

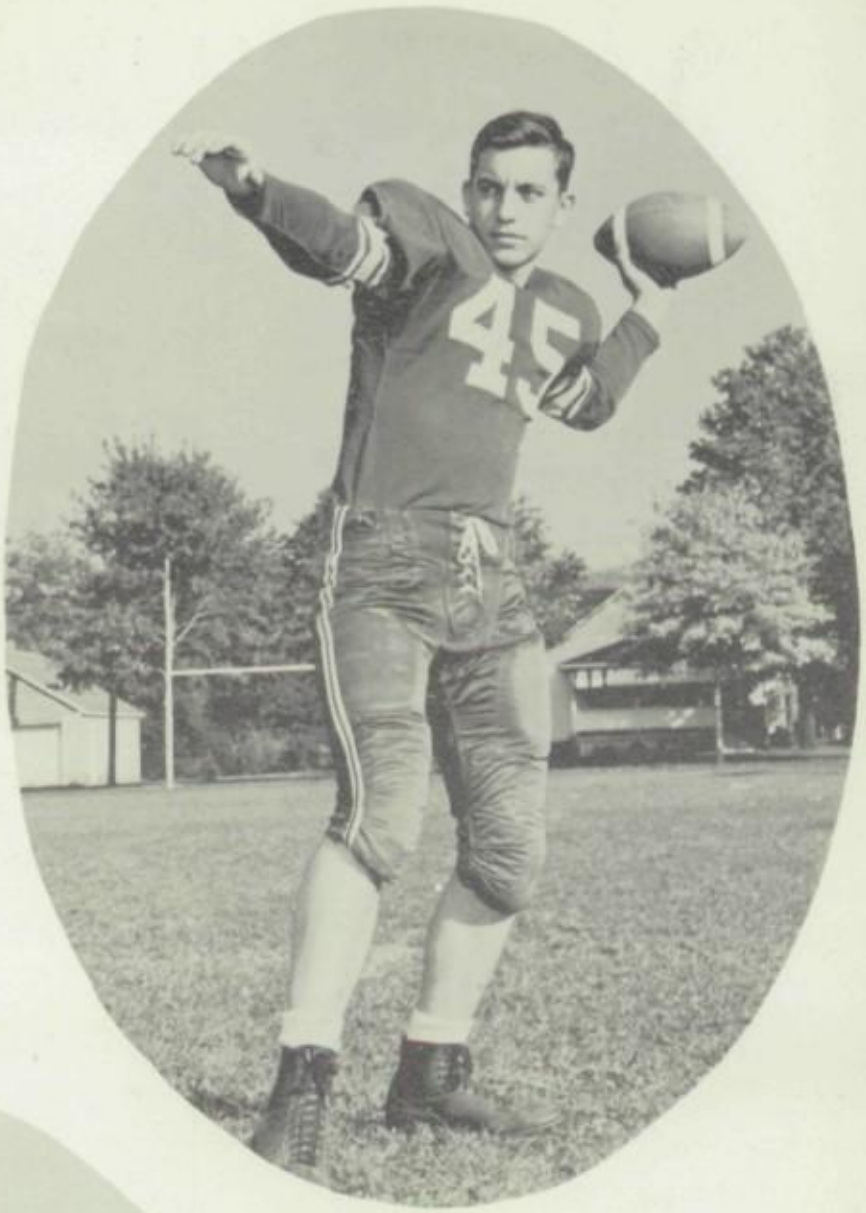


JAMES MEYER
177 lbs.
5' 10"
Position - Tackle

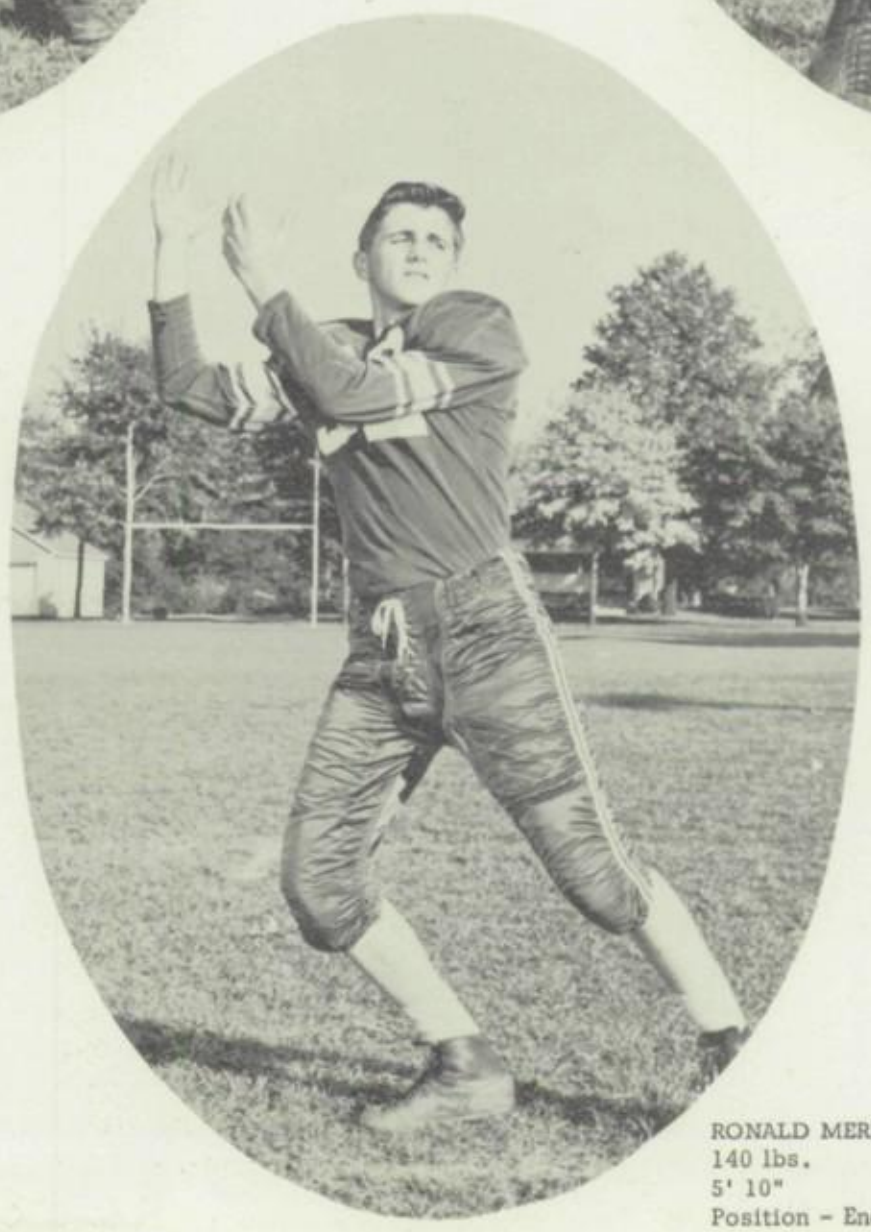
for outstanding performances on the gridiron



ARTHUR WARFEL
150 lbs.
5' 11"
Position - Guard



PAUL DeWITT
165 lbs.
5' 11"
Position - Halfback



RONALD MERRITT
140 lbs.
5' 10"
Position - End

SEASON'S RECORD does not tell the full story

JOHN CARROLL

John Carroll mauled Laurel Valley's Rams by a score of 28-7 in the season's opener. The Mountaineers scored twice in the first period to take a 14-0 lead. Then Lyle Trexler caught a pass from Paul DeWitt and ran 50 yards for the Rams only touchdown. Joe Parsha tallied the extra point to make the score 14-7 at the half. After this John Carroll scored one in each of the two final periods.

LIGONIER

The Rams were blanked by Ligonier by a score of 20-0 for their second loss of the season. The Mountaineers crossed the goal line once in every period but the third. Brownfield plunged six yards for the first tally. Then he passed 25 yards to Norris for the second touchdown. Fircetz raced 88 yards for the final tally.

PENNS MANOR

Penns Manor, who was undefeated in this season, rushed over the Rams by a score of 37-6. Laurel Valley dropped its third straight loss. Penns Manor scored twice in each of the first three periods. Mike Paulina, Penns Manor's all-star halfback who finished second in scoring in the state, tallied three touchdowns. Bob Love scored the Rams' lone touchdown in the final period when he recovered a fumble in Penns Manor's end zone.

LILLY-WASHINGTON

Lilly-Washington romped over Laurel Valley by a score of 41-7. The loss was the fourth consecutive defeat for the Rams this season. Lilly scored two touchdowns in each of the first three quarters but were held scoreless in the final period. The Rams' only touchdown came in the final period on a 35 yard pass play from Lyle Trexler to Art Kisamore. Larry Saltarelli plunged for the extra point.

BLACK LICK

Laurel Valley's Rams battled to a scoreless deadlock with the Panthers of Blacklick. The tie came after four straight losses by the Rams. Both teams played a spirited defensive game. Although Blacklick penetrated deep into Ram's territory, they couldn't cross the goal line. In the first quarter the Panthers lost the ball on downs on the Rams' two yard line.

SALTSBURG

The Rams fell to their fifth defeat at the hands of Saltsburg by a score of 20-0. Against the five losses the Rams have a single tie. Saltsburg tallied once in each of the first, second, and final periods. Brink scored two touchdowns for Saltsburg.

FORBES

The Golden Jets of Forbes humbled Laurel Valley by a score of 35-0. It was the sixth loss against one tie for the Rams. The first period was scoreless, and then Forbes scored three times in the second period and once in each of the final two periods. Don Walker and Terry Thompson each scored two touchdowns for Forbes

WASHINGTON TWP.

Laurel Valley's Rams were stomped by Washington Twp. by a score of 45-7. The Rams record now was seven losses and a tie. Lyle Trexler scored the Rams' only touchdown on Parsha's pass. Parsha plunged for the extra point. Jim Marks scored three touchdowns and Herron scored twice to spark Washington Twp.

UNITED JOINT

The Rams closed their season with a 42-0 defeat at the hands of United Joint. Laurel Valley finished the season with a tie and eight losses. The Lions were sparked by Danny and Hank Waters who each scored two touchdowns.

VARSITY played thrilling games

KNEELING: J. Mitchell, D. Flickinger, H. Treasure, R. Warfel, J. Meyer. STANDING: C. Hurt, C. Gibson, R. Brown, Mr. Pahach, J. Parsha, L. Trexler, W. Shingler.

Laurel Valley's basketball team was coached again by Mr. Pahach and Mr. Dohoda. This year there was only one letterman returning, Bob Brown who was a regular last year. Despite the lack of experienced players, the outlook was bright as the Rams floored one of the tallest teams in school history. A team averaging over six feet could be put on the floor at any time.

The Rams this year played an independent schedule since the Southern Cambria League disbanded when Southmont and Dale went into jointures. To play in the District C-Class B play-offs the Rams must win sixty-three percent of their games, excluding the contests with Johnstown Catholic. If they don't get into the district play-offs, the team will play in the Westmoreland County Tournament at Hempfield.

LAUREL VALLEY		OPPONENTS
66	Ligonier	44
43	United	46
39	Conemaugh	52
54	United	29
76	Penns Manor	54
46	Ligonier	32
56	Conemaugh	40
43	Franklin	47
31	Export	56
27	Blacklick	31
46	Beaverdale	59

LAUREL VALLEY		OPPONENTS
55	Penns Manor	40
48	Johnstown Catholic	73
40	Franklin	59
80	Blacklick	25
52	Sewickly Area	54
63	Johnstown Catholic	88
61	Laura Lamar	89
43	Beaverdale	61
51	Laura Lamar	58
	Westmoreland County Tournament	

JUNIOR VARSITY performed in exciting contests

KNEELING: F. Golis, R. Miller, C. Clark, J. Henderson, H. Clark. STANDING: S. Bodinsky, W. Burkett, J. Mitchell, R. Grillo, W. Hill, R. Robson, Mr. Dohoda.

Understudies to the varsity team are the junior varsity boys. The cagers on this team are gaining experience and preparing to play varsity ball. Under Mr. Dohoda's watchful eye these boys drill on the fundamentals of the game.

For example, any participant in basketball should posses coordination, be athletically inclined, and work to acquire the necessary skills of this sport. All players learn good sportsmanship. Cagers must be willing to practice. After school is the accepted time, not the exception.

There are several good varsity prospects on the team. The boys are showing steady improvement and should develop into good players. The Junior Rams, living up to their name, belligerently resisted their opponents.

LAUREL VALLEY		OPPONENTS	LAUREL VALLEY		OPPONENTS
36	Ligonier	33	37	Beaverdale	39
25	United	37	35	Penns Manor	27
11	Conemaugh	32	22	Johnstown Catholic	48
17	United	52	31	Franklin	41
25	Penns Manor	28	50	Blacklick	32
17	United	28	26	Sewickley Area	35
37	Conemaugh	41	44	Johnstown Catholic	55
36	Franklin	40	33	Laura Lamar	36
38	L. V. Junior High	26	41	Beaverdale	59
19	Blacklick	25	33	Laura Lamar	36

Developed their basketball skills

JUNIOR HIGH

ROW ONE: F. Flickinger, D. Bottegal, S. Mears, M. Henderson, L. Saltarelli, J. Walker, R. Fry, W. Cunningham, G. Flickinger, W. Burkett. ROW TWO: T. Shank, R. Smyder, D. Rhoades, D. Ferri, B. Mundorff, G. Spinelli, R. Decker, P. Roby, E. Charles, J. Mied, Mr. Dohoda. ROW THREE: J. Robson, H. Trimble, M. Muir, R. Walker, W. Friedman, R. Moore, C. Yeager, W. Wakefield, R. Jackson. ROW FOUR: O. Hurt, W. Dick, W. McClure, D. McDowell, L. Busch, M. Stercho, T. Ritenour, W. Nixon, D. Ray, W. Shank.

The Junior High group is coached by Mr. Dohoda. The boys are from the seventh, eighth, and ninth grades; and they compete in the Westmoreland County Junior High School League. Laurel Valley's future varsity stars are learning to play in this group under Mr. Dohoda's constant patient supervision and his continuous drill and instruction. They can proudly remember their hard won battle with East Huntington.

LAUREL VALLEY		OPPONENTS	LAUREL VALLEY		OPPONENTS
23	Shade	33	42	Kiski	16
26	L. V. Junior Varsity	38	29	St. Vincent	46
42	St. Vincent	32	46	Derry	39
28	Derry	46	32	Ligonier	45
41	Ligonier	65	36	East Huntington	45
38	East Huntington	37	40	Kiski	27

COACHES AND MANAGERS were the "backbones" of the team

MR. PAHACH, Head Coach; MR. DOHODA, Assistant Coach.

Mr. Andrew Pahach, head basketball coach for the seventh year, with his assistant, Mr. Stanley Dohoda, was faced with the large task of organizing a team with only one letterman and three seniors returning.

Mr. Pahach capably coached the team and with hard practice and co-operation instructed the boys in the intricacies of basketball. The Rams performed brilliantly and provided the spectators with a thrilling season. The coaches produced another team of which Laurel Valley is proud.

Mr. Dohoda, who has charge of the junior varsity and junior high teams, has produced players who will be the future stars of the varsity team.

KNEELING: R. Kerr, T. Brown. STANDING: F. Henderson, J. Burkett, R. Hedges, C. Guaetta.

The basketball managers have a vital job to do; this work is important to the players and coaches. At least one manager has to be at each practice to take care of the balls, run errands, and do odd jobs for the team and the coach. Before and after each game the warm-up jackets and uniforms must be handed out and collected. The manager must also check the equipment taken to the away games. The head manager of the 1958-59 season was Fritz Henderson and the other senior managers were Ralph Hedges, Carm Guaetta, and Robert Kerr.

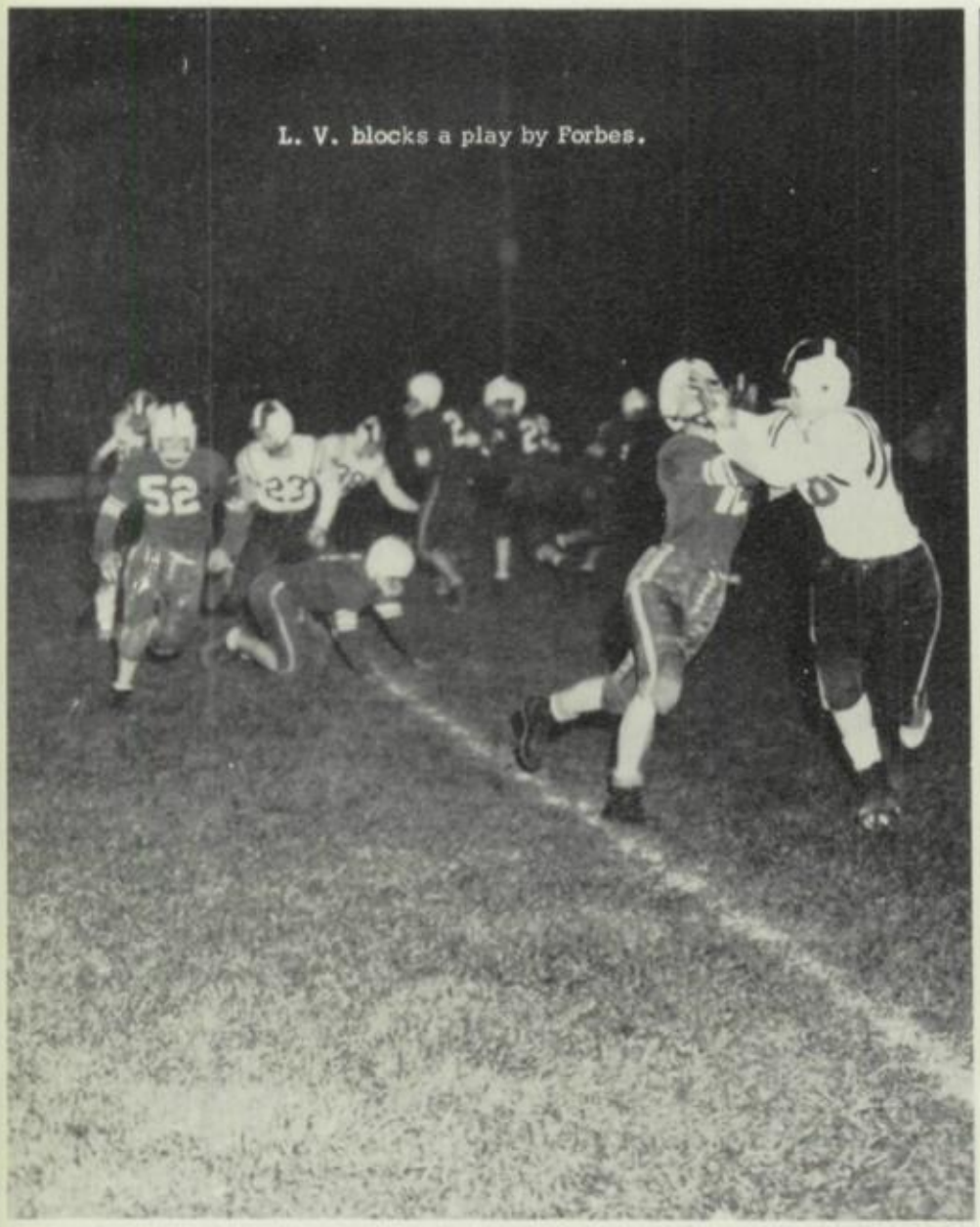
starred on the hardwood SENIOR CAGERS

HAYES TREASURE
165 lbs.
5' 8"
Position - Guard - could drive and score effectively

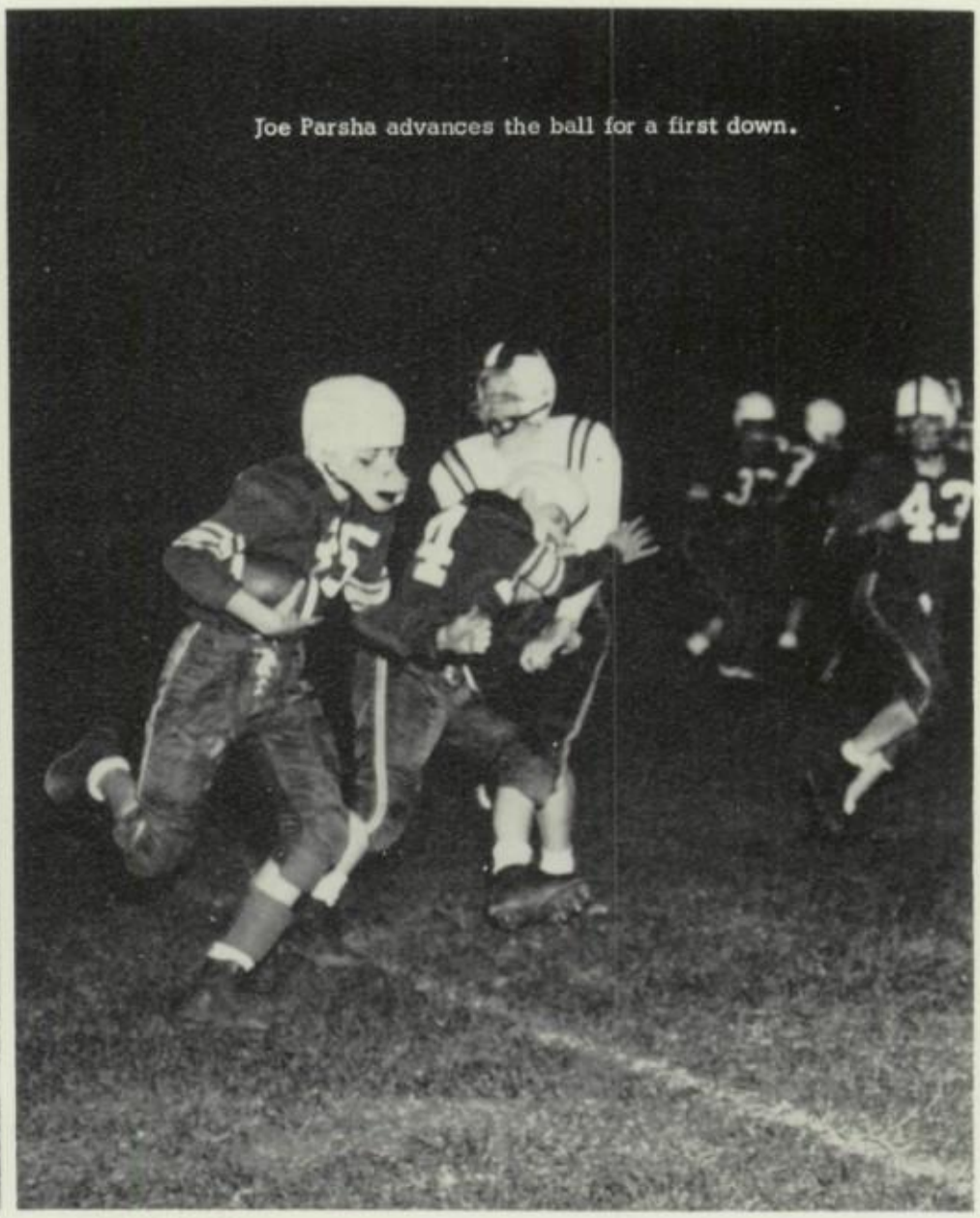
CHARLES GIBSON
155 lbs.
5' 11"
Position - Guard - good defensive player and ball handler

JAMES MEYER
177 lbs.
5' 10"
Position - Center - real competitor and steady player

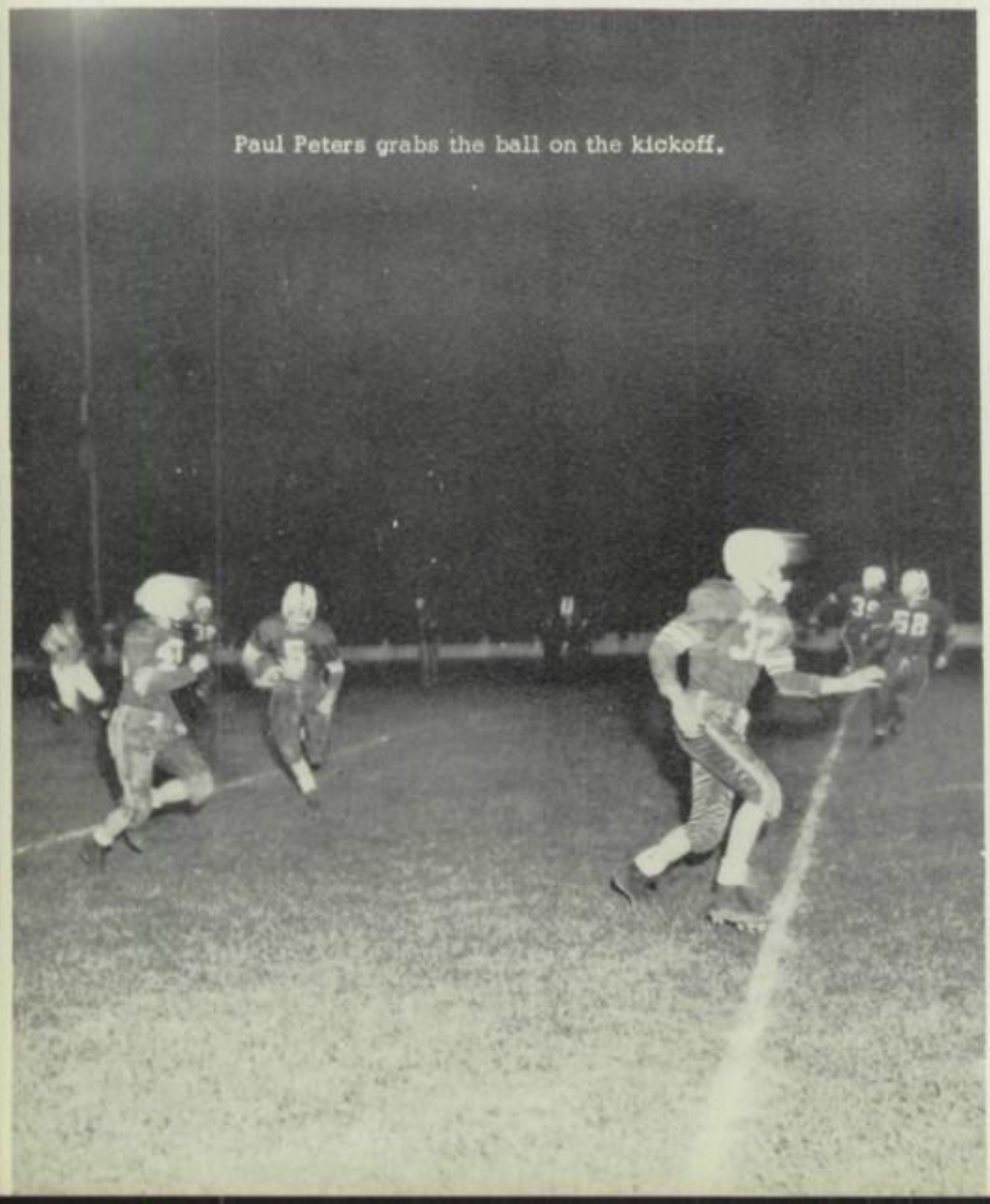
THRILLING MOMENTS relived again on the gridiron



L. V. blocks a play by Forbes.



Joe Parsha advances the ball for a first down.



Paul Peters grabs the ball on the kickoff.

Mr. Dohoda and Mr. Pesci coach from the sidelines.

furnished us with smiles

CANDIDS

Could this be next year's seniors?

Joe is on his way to the boiler room.

Driver training hopefuls dash through the hall on foot.

Danny and Bill want the seats on the bleacher.

Are those boys taking those girls for a ride?

IN APPRECIATION

The staff of the nineteen hundred and fifty-nine LAUREL wish to express their appreciation and thanks to the students, faculty, and organizations for the splendid cooperation in helping to make this year's annual a success.

The staff also expresses its appreciation to Mrs. Mabon for her cooperation with the typing, to Mr. Spinelli for his encouragement and helpful suggestions, and to Mr. Tomb of Covers Studio for his help with the planning of the photography.

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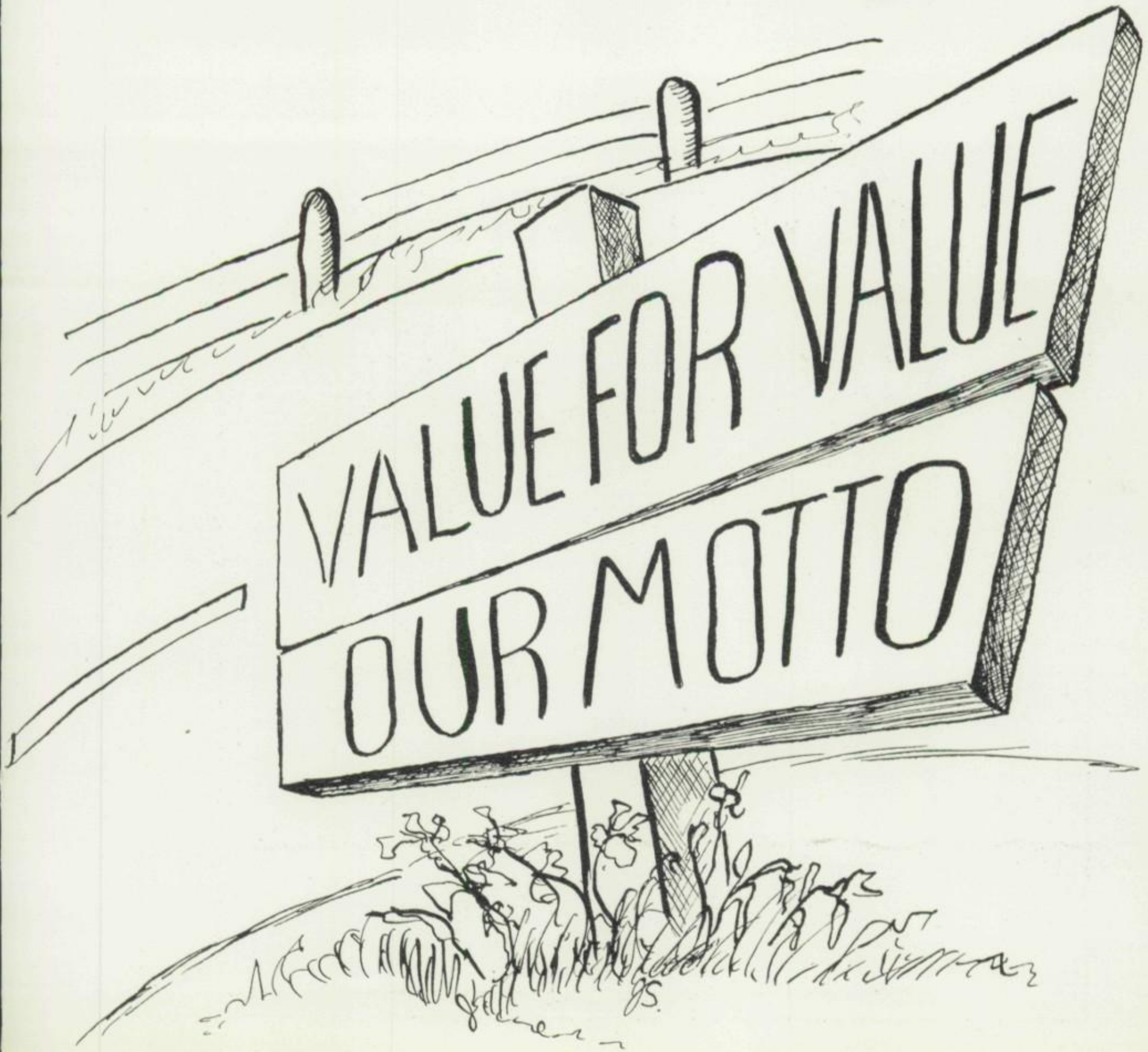

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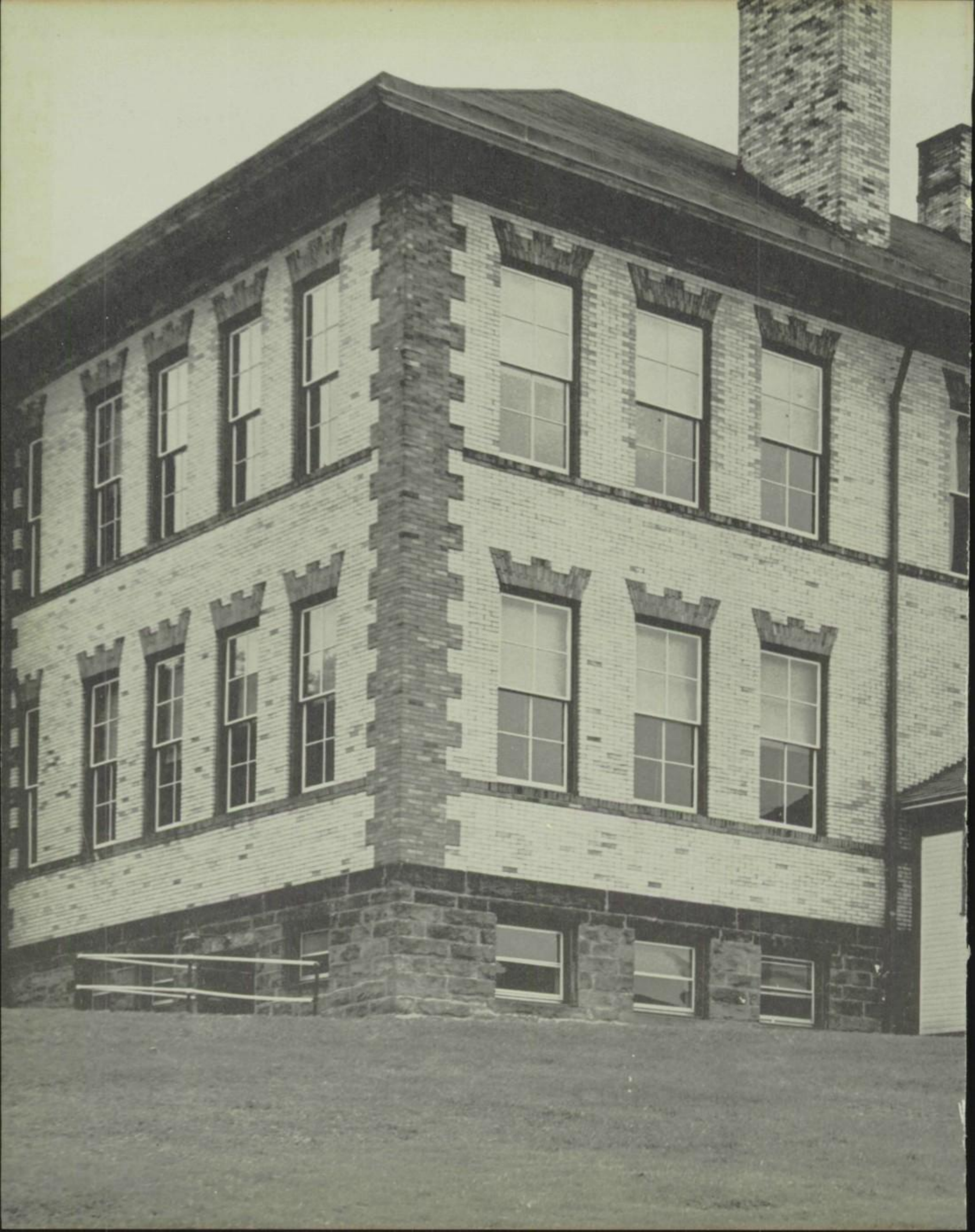

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